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THE WORTMANS AND DOWLING SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THAT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

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Office: Springfield

Date:

February 19, 1962

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Title:

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN;  
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EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN, JR.

Character:

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Synopsis:

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. Income tax trial of WORTMAN, DOWLING, and two other associates started 1-8-62. THE WORTMANS AND DOWLING SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

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B. ASSOCIATES

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Re

GEORGE ANDREW HARVILL, aka. Stormy

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C. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

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**D. ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES**

Date December 29, 1961

On December 14, 1961, a check was made in the vicinity of the site of the policy operation, 112 South 4th, Brooklyn, Illinois. At approximately 1:45 p.m., the following vehicles known to be registered to known policy writers were observed in the vicinity of this location:

1961 silver Pontiac, Illinois license (1961)  
[REDACTED]

1959 white and red Ford, 1961 Illinois license  
[REDACTED]

1953 white over green Chevrolet, 1961 Illinois license  
[REDACTED]

1953 blue and white Oldsmobile, 1961 Illinois license  
[REDACTED] but is known to be operated by JAMES KAGE.

1953 black over blue Mercury, 1961 Illinois license  
[REDACTED]

No additional license numbers were obtained and no activities were observed.

On 12-14-61 at Brooklyn, Illinois File # SI 92-112

by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 12-20-61

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Date December 19, 1961

During the afternoon of December 11, 1961, from approximately 1:30 PM to 2:45 PM, agents [redacted] and [redacted] were in Brooklyn, Illinois. At this time, several people were observed entering Earl's Cafe, in Brooklyn, carrying brown paper bags. During this time, parked on the street, were the following automobiles.

1962 blue Pontiac, bearing Illinois License [redacted]

1953 Chevrolet, white over gray, bearing  
1961 Illinois License [redacted]

At approximately 2:30 PM of the same day, [redacted] was observed getting into this automobile with two other Negro men and proceeding south on Illinois Route #3.

1961 white Pontiac,  
1961 Illinois License [redacted]

1959 White over red Ford,  
Illinois License [redacted]

The occupant of this car was seen driving back and forth in the streets of Brooklyn, and appeared to be telling various individuals not to go to Earl's Cafe.

1953 Black over blue Mercury,  
Illinois License [redacted]

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1961 Silver Pontiac.  
Illinois License [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

1953 white over blue Oldsmobile  
Illinois License [REDACTED]  
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JAMES KAGE was observed entering the 1953 blue and white Oldsmobile and proceeding to downtown East St. Louis.

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Date January 11, 1962

At approximately 2:00 PM on January 3, 1962, in the 100 block of South 4th Street, Brooklyn, Ill., the cars of the following known policy writers were observed in this general vicinity.

[REDACTED]

JAMES KAGE, East St. Louis, Ill.

Individuals observed by agents leaving the building allegedly having the policy wheel were [REDACTED] who was observed getting into the car registered to [REDACTED]

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**F. PROSECUTIVE ACTION**

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On January 8, 1962, the income tax trial of FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, TED WORTMAN, ELMER SYLVESTER DOWLING, GREGORY E. MOORE and SAM MAGIN began in U.S. District Court, East St. Louis, Illinois. Motions filed by Defense Attorney MAURICE SHENKER were denied and a jury of 12 and 3 alternates was chosen between January 8 through 15, 1962. The jury was not sequestered; however, U.S. District Judge WILLIAM G. JUERGENS several times each day admonished the jurors against discussing the case, reading news articles or listening to radio or television reports concerning the trial, and regularly stated that if the jury did not adhere to his admonishments he would immediately confine them. The Government attorneys handling the prosecution are ROBERT CAHILL, Chief Attorney, JOHN J. SCHAUER, and WILLARD MC BRIDE, as Assistants, all Department attorneys from Washington, D.C.; also United States Attorney CARL W. FEICKERT.

Defense attorneys are MAURICE SHENKER and MURRAY RANDALL of St. Louis for FRANK WORTMAN and ELMER DOWLING; SAUL COHN of East St. Louis for EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN; RAY FOREMAN of Danville and former Assistant United States Attorney for SAM MAGIN, and NORMAN LONDON of St. Louis representing GREGORY E. MOORE.

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Memorandum

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From SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) P.  
FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka.  
ET AL;  
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## WEEKLY SUMMARY AIRTEL

Trial of WORTMAN ET AL concluded 6 PM, 2/22/62 at  
which time case given to jury. Jury deliberated until 7 PM,  
2/22/62 and reconvened 9 AM, 2/23/62 and as of 3 PM, 2/23/62  
were still deliberating.

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WEEKLY SUMMARY

No great activity was available to [REDACTED] as previously pointed out in the last summary. At the present time, modifications are being made to this source; it is anticipated that when these modifications are completed, the source will be of more value.

No contact with this source is contemplated, based on the above, until 2/26/62. The next weekly summary will be submitted on 3/6/62.

THE WORTMANS AND DOWLING SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

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# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 92-2810 ) DATE: February 12, 1962  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (66-1368)

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka; ETAL

Character of Case ANTI RACKETEERING  
Field Office Springfield  
Symbol Number To be assigned  
Type of Surveillance (Technical-or Microphone)

1. Name and address of subject:

The Pines Club, 914 North 37th Street, East St. Louis, Illinois

2. Location of technical operation:

[REDACTED] b7E

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject:

None

4. Cost and manpower involved:

[REDACTED] b7D b7E

[REDACTED] b7E

5. Adequacy of security:

[REDACTED] b7E

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6. Type of case involved: The Pines Club was taken over 2/9/62 by three second level members of the WORTMAN gang by use of intimidation and muscle. It is a hangout for members of the WORTMAN mob who gather here. WORTMAN is one of 25 top hoodlums selected by the Bureau for priority attention.

7. Connection or status of subject in the case: See remarks under #6. b7c  
The second level members mentioned are [REDACTED] MELVIN JOHN BECKMAN, and GEORGE ANDREW "STORMY" HARVILL, who anticipate taking over the WORTMAN gang operation in the event the WORTMANs and DOWLING are convicted in their present income tax trial.

8. Specific information being sought:  
All information concerning gambling and meetings and gatherings of the WORTMAN hoodlums which is to take place in the back room of the Pines Club. This is to be a meeting place of WORTMAN hoodlums as well as other criminal associates and contacts.

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance:  
It is known the Pines Club was taken over by the above-mentioned individuals [REDACTED] b7D

10. Importance of case and subject:  
WORTMAN has been selected by the Bureau as one of the 25 top hoodlums in the country to receive priority attention. The three individuals mentioned have been active in running the WORTMAN operation and gambling in the recent past and according to informants, they are three of the principal up and coming young hoodlums in the area.

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means  
(Explain in detail):

*None at present*

12. Risks of detection involved:

*Absolute minimum risk of detection.*

13. Probable length of technical surveillance:

*90 days*

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency  
(name specific official, title and agency):

*None*

15. Remarks:

*Since the opportunity may occur at any time in the immediate future, therefore, expedited approval is requested.*

16. Recommendation of Assistant Director:

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**AIRTEL**

**TO: SAC, Springfield (66-1368)**

**FROM: Director, FBI (92-2810) - 384**

**JUNE**

**FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka., Et Al.**

**RE**

Re your FD-142 dated 2/12/62 and your call 2/13/62.

This will confirm Bureau authorization for the survey and installation of special coverage on the Pines Club, 914 North 37th Street, East St. Louis, Illinois, provided complete security is assured. This authorization extends to 5/13/62 and if a continuance beyond that date is desired, an appropriate FD-143 together with your recommendation should be submitted to reach the Bureau not later than 5/8/62.

As soon as the source has been installed and activated, you should advise the Bureau, furnishing the date together with the symbol number assigned.

This installation should receive very close personal attention in order that its fullest potential may be realized and in this regard any leads arising therefrom should be given prompt and continuous attention.

Weekly summary of pertinent information reported by the source should be submitted to the Bureau. In the event information of unusual significance is received, it should, of course, be immediately furnished to the Bureau by appropriate separate communication.

**1 - St. Louis** NOTE: The Pines Club was taken over 2/9/62 by Melvin John Beckman and George Andrew Harville, 3 members of the Wortman organization who have been rapidly rising to prominence and are making efforts to take over the Wortman empire in the event he receives a sentence in connection with his current income tax trial. The Pines Club is a meeting place for East St. Louis hoodlums, including members of the Wortman organization.

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: February 13, 1962

FROM : C. A. Evans *b7c*JUNESUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, et al  
ANTI - RACKETEERING

The Bureau has had Frank Wortman, a top hoodlum, under investigation for some time. In addition, Wortman is under indictment and awaiting trial in East St. Louis concerning tax evasion.

*all no.* SAC Gibbons of the Springfield Office called today concerning the Wortman case. According to Gibbons, there is a group of Wortman's hoodlums who are working toward taking over Wortman's activities in the event he is sentenced. These hoodlums include [redacted] Melvin John Beckman *b7c* and George Andrew Harbill, all of whom are members of the Wortman gang. These individuals are strong-arm men of the Wortman organization and have been engaged in putting the squeeze on certain gambling clubs in the East St. Louis area. Their activities have indicated that they are moving up in the organization. Gibbons stated this group has recently taken over the Pines Club, located at 914 North 37th Street in East St. Louis. This place is a gambling joint and is also used as a gathering place for the gamblers.

The Springfield Office has been actively endeavoring to obtain confidential coverage concerning this group and has the opportunity tomorrow to conduct a survey and possibly install microphone coverage at this club. *b7D*

[redacted] and if the Springfield Office can move at that time, confidential coverage can be effected with complete security. Gibbons therefore requested permission to conduct the necessary survey and install microphone coverage in the Pine Club tomorrow, provided complete security is assured.

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ACTION:

Gibbons states microphone coverage as requested above has excellent potential. *b7D*

In view of these factors the SAC was authorized to conduct the necessary survey, and if the opportunity presented itself with complete security, to install microphone coverage. The necessary forms are being submitted by the Springfield Office.

1 - [redacted]

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URGENT 2-26-62 6-40 PM CST JM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 1P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA. ETAL. JURY VERDICT WORTMAN TRIAL

RETURNED FOUR THIRTY PM TODAY ON FOUR COUNT INDICTMENT AS FOLLOWS.

FRANK WORTMAN, ELMER DOWLING, GREGORY MOORE GUILTY COUNT FOUR, A  
CONSPIRACY COUNT, HUNG JURY ON FRANK WORTMAN ON SUBSTANTIVE COUNTS  
ONE TWO AND THREE, HUNG JURY ON TED WORTMAN CHARGED UNDER COUNT  
FOUR ONLY, SAM MAGIN NOT GUILTY ALSO CHARGED UNDER COUNT FOUR ONLY.

SUBJECTS RELEASED ON APPEAL BONDS EXCEPT FOR MAGIN WHO IS SERVING  
FEDERAL SENTENCE ON PREVIOUS CONVICTION.

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**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION**

**February 27, 1962**

**FRANK WORTMAN**

Frank Wortman and others named are leading hoodlums in East St. Louis area. All were charged on violations of income tax laws. Information developed by our offices was furnished to Internal Revenue Service and United States Attorney which assisted in developing case against Wortman and this group.

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 FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) (P)  
 SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka;  
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The following is a summary of information obtained from [REDACTED] since first contact with this information on 2/16/62: b7D

Informant advised on 2/16/62 a poker game was in operation as of 7:50 a.m. On this same date an unknown man and woman filled a date, probably a prostitution date, in the rear room of the Pines Lounge; another date was filled during the afternoon. One [REDACTED] was at the lounge; also [REDACTED] was present. Informant advised there was some discussion about establishing membership card club and further, that business was very good, according to informant.

[REDACTED] is believed to be [REDACTED] and close associate of numerous WORTMAN hoodlums. On this same date an individual was giving a list of figures to an unknown woman. b7C

On 2/19/62 informant advised a total amount of \$1,117.42 was mentioned during discussion of business. A card game was in progress according to informant at the Pines Lounge on 2/19/62 and there was a discussion of [REDACTED]. One of the individuals in the card game was [REDACTED] b7C

Informant was unable to make contact from 2/20 to 2/27/62 but expected to be contacted in the near future.

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TO : Mr. Evans ✓

DATE: 3/5/62

FROM : [REDACTED]

JUNE

SUBJECT:

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

SAC Gibbons called in connection with the gangland murders of Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman on last Saturday night. Gibbons pointed out in all probability there would be additional gangland reprisals and that Wortman would be involved in these reprisals. He recommended that Bureau authorize a technical surveillance on the telephone of Wortman. 11-1

Gibbons was told that the Bureau policy in this connection had not changed and that no authorization would be granted for a technical surveillance on Wortman.

ACTION

For record purposes. C.H.

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TO SAC SPRINGFIELD

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AR. REURTEL MARCH FOUR LAST AND  
BUCALL TODAY. IMMEDIATELY INITIATE APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES  
TO DETERMINE IF FEDERAL VIOLATION INVOLVED IN SITUATION  
SURROUNDING KILLING OF DOWLING AND BECKMAN. SUBMIT DAILY  
TELETYPE SUMMARY OF FINDINGS TO BUREAU. UNLESS STRONG  
REASON TO THE CONTRARY EXISTS, FURNISH INFORMATION RECEIVED  
FROM CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES CONCERNING PLANS TO KILL [REDACTED] TO  
U. S. ATTORNEY, USING PROPER CARE TO PROTECT SOURCE. INFO  
SHOULD ALSO BE GIVEN TO DEPARTMENT ATTORNEYS WHO HANDLED  
PROSECUTION OF WORTMAN CASE. PROTECT SOURCE IN MAKING  
THIS DISSEMINATION.

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NOTE: The highly confidential source maintained on a meeting place of the  
Wortman gang furnished information as to the plans of four members of the  
Wortman gang to kill [REDACTED] another Wortman gang member.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

DATE: 2/23/62

FROM : *DO* SAC, SPRINGFIELD (66-1368)

JUNE

*GA* SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka, Etal

Character of Case AR  
Field Office Springfield  
Symbol Number [REDACTED]  
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or  
Microphone) Microphone

~~CONF. INFT.~~

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

*X* Paddock Lounge  
129 St. Louis Avenue  
East St. Louis, Illinois

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

[REDACTED]

3. Location of monitoring plant:

[REDACTED]

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

Date of Authorization - May 16, 1961  
Date of Installation - June 22, 1961

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):  
None

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6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

Not applicable.

- a. Is a trunk line utilized?

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- b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard?

- c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone?

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- d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line?
- e. If a party line, how many parties?
7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each:
- [REDACTED]
8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:
- No. b7E
9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)
10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?
- No.
11. [REDACTED] b7D
12. Has security factor changed since installation?
- No.
13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):
- None.
14. Cost of Plant Premises:
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

15. [REDACTED]

16. Personnel Costs:

[REDACTED]

c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

None.

d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

Not applicable.

17. Remarks (By SAC):

This installation has been of extreme value to the Springfield Office as previously noted from information received. It is recognized that the material has not been outstanding; however, it has been of great assistance in connection with the handling of the criminal intelligence program and was important in the establishing of a new installation which the Bureau has approved at the Pines, located at 914 N. 37th Street, East St. Louis, Illinois.

It is anticipated that when the [REDACTED] and with the new installation at the Pines that it will greatly improve the material received, and that each installation will compensate the other in evaluation of material received. It is, therefore, recommended that this installation be continued.

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18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

*(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)*

(9.) On 11/7/61 there occurred a discussion during the noon hour relative to the condition of one [REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] is believed to be the same one who was in the Paddock Lounge as referred to in Springfield airtel dated 11/6/61.

Informant furnished information that EIMER DOWLING was believed to be planning to leave East St. Louis 11/8/61, destination unknown, and that one [REDACTED] was servicing DOWLING's automobile. b7C

Again on 11/7/61 there was a general discussion among some unknown male individuals relative to vending machine operations, and they specifically referred to a good location being in the heart of Clayton and described this location as an all-night spot. It is believed that they were referring to Clayton, Missouri. There was also considerable discussion relative to a location at Fourteenth and Madison Streets, presumed to be Granite City, Illinois, and described this location as having a good juke box "play," where \$3 to \$6 a night profit could be made through the juke box.

On this same date there was a general discussion concerning the operation by pool hustlers and specific reference was made about a recent "one pocket" game at Johnston City at a Johnston City pool hall in which the winner was described as being a Texan who won approximately \$5,000 in this game. In this discussion one [REDACTED] (phonetic) was described as a pool hall shark who had the ability to win without any difficulty. It was mentioned there was a circuit, and that games would not be uncommon in running up to \$60,000. b7C

On 11/9/61 there appeared to be a general agitation among certain customers over the presence of the FBI in the Paddock Lounge. This conversation concerned mostly obscenities and general cursing. No significant information was developed from this conversation. It should be noted a fisur was conducted at the Paddock Lounge during the late afternoon of 11/9/61.

On 11/13, 14, and 15/61, above source advised the following known members of the WORTMAN organization were present at the Paddock Lounge: [REDACTED] EIMER DOWLING. b7C

[REDACTED] JOE, believed to be JOE JANKA, GORDON FOSTER [REDACTED] HARVILL, [REDACTED]

According to informant, [REDACTED] was in the b7C

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Paddock Lounge and discussing the encounter he had with the Intelligence Unit, Internal Revenue Service, on that day.

[REDACTED] b7c

On 11/16/61 informant advised employees were talking about the presence of the Federal Agents at the Paddock Lounge in the recent past, and the fact that the Agents had a job to do and further that they had a lot of money behind them to do it with. Further discussion took place concerning the incident regarding [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED]

Considerable conversation took place between patrons at the Paddock Lounge regarding local political situation in St. Clair County, generally to the effect that the Sheriff's Office and States Attorney's Office were inefficient, inadequately staffed, and could not cope with the major crimes and criminal activities in St. Clair County. Further, that the East St. Louis school board's political situation was in a "mess" and generally politics were at a low ebb.

On 12/1/61 the above source advised that two men were present in the Paddock Lounge, names unknown, who were heard to be discussing [REDACTED] JOE JANKA, and someone called [REDACTED] all in connection with the taking of Army physical examinations. Further contact with above source will be made in an attempt to identify these names individuals. b7c

According to the informant, on the same day [REDACTED] b7c in the Paddock Lounge was heard telling about a person who "sells numbers on one counter, horses on one, dogs on one, and something else on another."

[REDACTED] b7c

On 12/4/61 the above source advised that MEL BECKMAN was present in the Paddock Lounge during the afternoon, and that

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he had engaged in conversation with a man called [REDACTED]

On the afternoon of this same date, the above source further advised that a conversation took place between two men, named [REDACTED]. The discussion concerned the signing of a release of some kind, one man saying he was asked to sign before he could even get up off the ground. The conversation was very difficult to follow, advised the above source, but it concerned some kind of release from a contract which provided that the other party should receive 50% of everything made. Reference was made twice to "the boss."

On 12/4/61, a man named [REDACTED] was identified by the above source as having been present in the Paddock Lounge during the afternoon. Also during the afternoon, a woman called [REDACTED] was asking how to go about obtaining information concerning a social security check that something had happened to, and an unknown man told her this was an FBI matter, as it was a Federal offense.

[REDACTED] advised on 12/12/61 that several men were having a discussion at the Paddock Lounge in East St. Louis, and one of the men was talking about perjuring himself. The comment was made, "You'll serve time with me." During the discussion, the man talking about the perjury matter asked that EIMER(DOWLING) talk with him about matters unknown to informant.

During the discussion between the men it was brought out that individuals identified as [REDACTED]

Informant said also that during the mentioning of [REDACTED]

On 12/12/61, [REDACTED] advised an individual was at the Paddock Lounge in East St. Louis who is believed to be [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

On 12/11/61 above source advised the following known members of the WORTMAN organization were present in the Paddock Lounge: [REDACTED] MEL BECKMAN [REDACTED]

On 12/12/61 above informant furnished the following information. ELMER DOWLING was in the Paddock Lounge and was heard to be discussing someone by the name [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] on this same date MEL BECKMAN was heard discussing something about doing time in the penitentiary, and an investigation in which he and [REDACTED] were picked up by the police. He said they were put in the line-up, and there was some talk of being pushed and thrown around. He said a man called [REDACTED] and also [REDACTED] were also involved. He said something about someone having his leg shot off, and that he was there to see it. It was further noted that [REDACTED] AND GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL were also present at the Paddock Lounge on this date. The above source further advised that a man named [REDACTED] was also present in the Paddock Lounge; [REDACTED] is apparently well acquainted in the East St. Louis area.

[REDACTED]

On 12/13/61 the above source advised that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] EIMER DOWLING, and a man named [REDACTED] and a man named [REDACTED] were all present in the Paddock Lounge during the morning hours. Source advised that later in the day MEL BECKMAN was in the Paddock, along with a man called [REDACTED] and that at approximately 2:30 p.m. someone called FRANK entered the lounge and was immediately recognized and became the center of attention, and the discussion turned to health and doctors.

Above source also advised that some unidentified men were discussing a recent trip to Mobile, Alabama, where they looked over some property which was to be bought for a gambling establishment. The names [REDACTED] were mentioned in connection with this trip.

According to informant, [REDACTED] EIMER DOWLING, [REDACTED] were heard discussing the situation in O'Fallon, Illinois, concerning troubles with the vending operation. There was also some discussion about pulling a job, but the details of this were not clear.

On 12/14/61 informant advised that only MEL BECKMAN of the WORTMAN organization was known to be in the Paddock Lounge on that date, and that he was heard discussing an over-charge in taxes which he tried to have refunded, but failed. He commented that the only thing to do was to pay it. He said further that gambling should be legalized in the United States, and that if it was, most of his problems would be solved. He further stated that with all of the Federal officers, "tax boys," and FBI everywhere, there wasn't much that could be done. b7c

On 12/20/61 above informant advised that EIMER and [REDACTED] were present in the Paddock Lounge, and that they were joined by a man named [REDACTED]. The discussion turned to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] There was also some discussion concerning the presence of FBI Agents in the Paddock Lounge, the name [REDACTED] being specifically mentioned, and the comment was made that they were merely attempting to shake things up a little bit.

On this same date, conversation took place concerning a man named [REDACTED] by MEL BECKMAN and [REDACTED]. The discussion concerned certain strip joints which were being operated, and BECKMAN and [REDACTED] were discussing the cut that they intended to take. They were subsequently joined by a man named [REDACTED]. The presence of FBI Agents on the street near the Paddock Lounge was further discussed by these individuals.

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On 12/21/61 above informant advised that [REDACTED] b7c  
GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL, and [REDACTED] were in the Paddock  
Lounge and discussed the subjects of women, football, and  
automobiles. Later in the day, [REDACTED] also joined in on  
this discussion. The statement was made by one of these that  
either MEL or ELMER was in St. Louis for business for a day.

On 12/26/61 the above source advised that an individual  
had come from Green Bay, presumably Green Bay, Wisconsin, to be  
at the Federal Building by 10:30 a.m. Source indicated that  
there was a comment that "he couldn't even get out of it."  
There was also considerable discussion concerning an upcoming  
trial, possibly the income tax trial of WORTMAN and his  
associates scheduled for 1/8/62 in United States District  
Court, East St. Louis, Illinois. This source advised that there  
was no comment concerning two persons who had been subpoenaed for  
a coming trial and also comment to the effect that one of these  
persons had been working "there" only a month or a month and one-half.

On 12/29/61 above source advised that one of the  
Paddock Lounge employees had commented that business had been  
bad all week. Source stated that this employee had anticipated  
an increase in business due to the fire at Ramon's Tavern and  
the adjoining restaurant, Carr's Cafe. The source indicated  
that this employee commented that apparently many persons  
were afraid to frequent the Paddock Lounge for fear of a raid  
or other incident which would result in unfavorable publicity. b7c  
[REDACTED]

On 1/2/62 above source advised of the presence of ELMER  
DOWLING, a man called [REDACTED] and MEL  
BECKMAN. Also present was a man called [REDACTED] last name  
unknown. The source also advised that a conversation took  
place between an unknown man and woman about the injustice of  
the law; that people can kill one another, kill a little child,  
and then be turned loose in six months or a year in order to  
do the same thing over again. The woman said the country is  
too soft on certain crimes, such as killing, and then they "sock  
it" to a person for some minor, non-violent crime. b7c  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Late in the afternoon on the same date the above source said that [REDACTED] was talking with an unidentified man about the toughness of the Internal Revenue. He said that one year they told him he had not filed a return, but he said he had a certified copy. He said he had a friend who got stuck like that for an extra \$200. The two men agreed that nothing can be done in such cases, and that this is one time a person is guilty until proven innocent.

On 1/4/62 above source advised that ELMER DOWLING had a telephone conversation with someone about a purchase of some kind of merchandise. DOWLING insisted he had ordered steel and not wood, and that it had been argued. DOWLING was quite angry about this mistake and insisted that the item or items in question be replaced by steel ones. The source also advised that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were also present that day in the Paddock Lounge. Informant had nothing further to report. b7C

On 1/10/62 [REDACTED] and an individual informant said is believed to be [REDACTED] were at the Paddock Lounge. MEL (BECKMAN) also was present as well as "STORMY" (HARVILL). Informant said individuals known as [REDACTED] and one [REDACTED] were either acquaintances or were working together.

On 1/11/62 [REDACTED] and, according to informant, he talked about receiving a Christmas card from [REDACTED] MEL BECKMAN was again at the Paddock Lounge, according to informant, and there was considerable conversation about a large fire that occurred in St. Louis, Missouri, the previous day. According to informant, an unknown man made inquiry about some "tickets," and the bartender told the individual that there were none available because "everyone at the Paddock Lounge was an honest person." Informant said after this comment there was considerable laughter.

On 1/15/62 informant advised there was little activity; however, the name [REDACTED] was mentioned during the day; and, during the day, someone made inquiry concerning telephone number Adams 45770, and this number was called. [REDACTED] b7C b7D

On 1/17/62 there was a conversation in which the FBI was mentioned on several occasions; one time, the comment was made that "the FBI could not prove a thing." It is believed

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this comment was referring to the current investigation involving JAMES JAY CAGE and Brooklyn, Illinois, policy operations, involved in the transportation of gambling paraphernalia from East St. Louis to St. Louis, Missouri, on 1/12/62.

On 1/18/62 informant advised two of the waitresses were complaining about the presence of two young girls in the Paddock Lounge and attempting to "pick up" dates in the Paddock Lounge, which they believed were prostitute dates. Also, informant advised on this same date that there was some mention of the policy racket, but that he could not obtain any specific details. Informant mentioned the presence of STORMY HARVILL at the Paddock during the noon hour of 1/18/62, and pointed out that he received a phone call during the noon hour on this date; however, he could not learn anything relating to this call.

Informant referred to a party or meeting that had occurred on 1/17/62; however, he could not furnish any further details other than the fact that apparently [redacted] and [redacted] were not present at this meeting. [redacted] has previously been identified as [redacted] known associate of FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN.) b7c

Informant also advised that on the afternoon of 1/18/62, after the trial recessed in Federal Court, FRANK WORTMAN and several of his associates came into the Paddock Lounge; however, nothing of significance was noted in connection with their presence in the Paddock Lounge.

Informant advised that on the afternoon of 1/19/62 there was considerable discussion about the WORTMAN trial; during the conversation there was a discussion about income taxes, corporation set-ups, and at one point one of the individuals, believed to be EIMER DOWLING, mentioned that someone "goofed" on a tax matter.

On 2/5/62 this informant advised that [redacted] JOE [redacted] and MEL were all present at the Paddock Lounge, East St. Louis, Illinois, at various times during the day. These individuals are apparently [redacted] JOE JANKO [redacted] and MELVIN JOHN BECKMAN. b7c

On 2/6/62 informant advised that various patrons of the Paddock Lounge engaged in considerable discussion of the income tax trial of FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN and his associates

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in U. S. District Court, East St. Louis, Illinois. GORDON (apparently GORDON FOSTER, [REDACTED] was identified by informant as being present. b7c

On 2/7/62 informant advised that "BUSTER" (possibly FRANK WORTMAN) was present at the Paddock Lounge during the lunch hour. Informant also advised that one [REDACTED] not further identified, was back in town after a long absence. b7c

On 2/8/62 MEL [REDACTED] and "STORMY" were identified by informant as being together at the Paddock Lounge and as leaving this location together. It is noted that it is known that MELVIN J. BECKMAN, [REDACTED] and GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL were together at the Pines Tavern, St. Clair County, Illinois, subsequent to the time that informant advised they were at the Paddock Lounge. b7c

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TO: SAC, Springfield (66-1368) JUNE  
FROM: Director, FBI (92-2810)-390  
FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, ET AL.  
AR [REDACTED] b2 b7D

Re your FD-143 dated 2/23/62.

Authority granted for the continuance of this source until 5/30/62. In the event a further extension is desired, an appropriate FD-143, together with your recommendation, should be submitted to the Bureau not later than 5/25/62.

This installation should be afforded close supervision in order to assure that the information received therefrom is fully evaluated and all leads are afforded prompt and continuous attention.

You should continue to furnish weekly summaries to the Bureau of the pertinent information received from this source. In the event any information of immediate significance or interest is provided by [REDACTED] you should promptly furnish this to the Bureau by separate communication. b2 b7C

NOTE: This source was installed 6/22/61 on the Paddock Lounge, East St. Louis, Ill., which is used as a meeting place by the lieutenants and underlings of the subject, who is the leading racketeering figure in the area. The source has furnished a continuing volume of criminal intelligence info which although not outstanding has been of considerable value and benefit to the Springfield Office in connection with its Criminal Intelligence Program. SI has recently installed a second source at the Pines Club, where 3 of Wortman's lieutenants have muscled in on the gambling carried on at this club. Wortman was convicted of income tax evasion 2/26/62; however, has been released on appeal bond and it, therefore, appears there will be continuing racketeering activity in the East St. Louis, Ill., area. b2 b7D

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Continuance of [REDACTED] is being authorized in view of the potential it possesses and the probability of more effective coverage which will result from the coordination of this source with the new coverage at the Pines Club.

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3/6/62

BACKGROUND:

This relates to the murder of Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman, lieutenants of Frank Buster Wortman, leading hoodlum in East St. Louis, Illinois, area. Department and U. S. Attorney have been advised that Bureau developed information revealing a proposed gangland killing of [REDACTED] b7C They were also advised that this information had been disseminated to [REDACTED] b7D Investigation continuing to determine whether any Federal violation has occurred. Attorney General being advised.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 4P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA., ETAL, AR. OO SI. REMYTEL MARCH  
FOUR SIXTYTWO. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BECKMAN-S SIXTY OLDSMOBILE FOUND ABANDONED  
AFTER DAYLIGHT MARCH FOUR SIXTYTWO ON BOWLING ALLEY PARKING LOT,  
BELLEVILLE, ILL., WITH BLOOD STAINS FRONT AND REAR SEATS.  
NUMEROUS KNOWN HOODLUMS, POLICE CHARACTERS AND EX-CONVICTS  
ARRESTED [REDACTED] INCLUDING

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FRANK WORTMAN. NO INFO DEVELOPED FROM THESE INDIVIDUALS AND

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Belmont 3-6-62  
memo AG 3-7-62

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ALL RELEASED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED EARLY AM TODAY [REDACTED] DISCUSSED MURDER WITH  
ONE [REDACTED] PAREN LNU PAREN INDICATING QUOTE THEY UNQUOTE HAD NO  
IDEA WHO DID KILLING BUT BELIEVED IT WAS SOMEONE DOWLING AND  
BECKMAN KNEW AND SPECULATED IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN BUSINESSMAN WHO  
WAS BEING QUOTE SHAKEN DOWN UNQUOTE AND POSSIBLY ONE MAN KILLED  
BOTH AND ASSUMED IT WAS THE SAME GUN THAT KILLED DOWLING AND  
BECKMAN. [REDACTED] FURTHER COMMENTED THAT FRANK WORTMAN WAS VERY  
UPSET AND WAS QUOTE LIKE A WILD BULL UNQUOTE. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] USA CARL FEICKERT  
TODAY FURNISHED INFO CONCERNING PLANNED KILLING OF [REDACTED] AND  
COPY OF NOTES IN DOWLING-S POSSESSION. FEICKERT ARRANGING  
CONFERENCE WITH U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE WILLIAM G. JUERGENS, WHO  
PRESIDED AT WORTMAN ETAL TRIAL AND PLANS TO ADVISE JUDGE OF  
CONTENTS OF NOTES AND REQUESTS PRESENCE OF SA [REDACTED]  
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CONFERENCE PROBABLY WILL BE TOMORROW AND JUDGE WILL NOT BE  
ADVISED OF PLANNED [REDACTED] KILLING UAC [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CLOSE CONTACT AND FREQUENT CONTACT BEING  
MAINTAINED WITH ALL PERTINENT CIS AND PCIS. SPRINGFIELD  
EXPLORING ALL POSSIBILITIES WHICH MIGHT INDICATE ANY FEDERAL  
VIOLATION. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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The Attorney General

March 7, 1962

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Evans  
1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - [REDACTED]  
1 - [REDACTED]

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

I furnished you information by memorandum of March 4, 1962, concerning a confidential report received by our Springfield Office that several members of the Wortman mob of East St. Louis, Illinois, were considering plans to murder [REDACTED] another member of the Wortman organization. Attention was also made of the fact that the bodies of two of the alleged conspirators, Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman, were found on the roadside near Belleville, Illinois.

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arrested numerous known hoodlums, police characters and ex-convicts including top hoodlum Frank Leonard Wortman. However, interrogative of these persons has developed no pertinent information and all have been released.

[REDACTED]

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NOTE: See cover memo Evans to Belmont, 3/6/62 captioned as above, [REDACTED]

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## The Attorney General

Information was received that U. S. Attorney Carl Feickert, East St. Louis, Illinois, had arranged a conference March 6, 1962, with U. S. District Judge William G. Juergens, who presided at the income tax trial of Nortman and his associates, and planned to advise the Judge of the notations contained in papers found on Dowling's body apparently referring to members of the jury which returned a verdict of guilty in this case on February 26, 1962.

Our Springfield Office is [REDACTED] concerning this matter and is exploring all possibilities which might indicate the presence of any Federal violation.

I will advise you of further developments of interest.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General

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Date: 3-1-62

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) -P-

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka; ETAL  
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WEEKLY SUMMARY

Results of WORTMAN trial previously submitted to Bureau and notice of appeals are pending. No indication that Government will take any further action regarding hung jury verdicts until such a time that appeals are resolved.

On 3-1-62, [REDACTED] closed the policy operation at Brooklyn and has the assurance of the [REDACTED] that it will not re-open. Also on 3-1-62, [REDACTED] advised the operators of the Pines Lounge, E. St. Louis, they would have to discontinue gambling. b7c

Unknown individual from St. Clair County SO, E. St. Louis, was aware that [REDACTED] was going to the Pines and tipped off manager at this place [REDACTED] was on the way. This information was obtained through [REDACTED]. As a result of [REDACTED] visit, this same informant advised gambling equipment from one of the rooms was removed immediately and locked up in a rear room in anticipation [REDACTED] would return with search warrants. Lengthy discussions held regarding [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] believed present during one of these discussions. Above informant furnished complete details concerning this activity and fact [REDACTED]. MEL BECKMAN, and STORMY HARVILL are endeavoring to obtain liquor license to operate legally. This being followed closely. b2 b7c b7d

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Approved: *[Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 3-1-62

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THE WORTMANS AND DOWLING SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE  
CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

GIBBONS

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION**

**March 5, 1962**

**SUMMARY**

Teletype reports the murder of Elmer Dowling, First Lieutenant of Frank Buster Wortman, East St. Louis, Illinois hoodlum; also murder of one Mel Beckman. Dowling was recently convicted with Wortman for evasion of income tax in Federal District Court East St. Louis, Illinois. Our confidential source in St. Louis had reported that Beckman and others were planning to execute one [REDACTED] after clearing the murder with Dowling and Wortman. This information made available to [REDACTED] b7d b7f

[REDACTED] Full details being obtained. Attorney General being advised.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 5

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN AKA, ETAL, AR. BUFILE NINE TWO DASH TWO

EIGHT ONE ZERO. RE SI AIRTEL TO BUREAU THREE THREE LAST SETTING

OUT INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED] FURNISHED

EARLY AM YESTERDAY AS FOLLOWS. MEL BECKMAN, [REDACTED] STORMY

HARVILL AND [REDACTED] HAD DISCUSSION FOR SEVERAL HOURS REGARDING

HOW AND WHERE THEY SHOULD QUOTE HIT UNQUOTE [REDACTED] EXACT

TIME, PLACE AND METHOD [REDACTED] WAS TO BE KILLED NOT MADE DEFINITE

BUT SEVERAL OF ABOVE TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO LOCATE [REDACTED] BEFORE

DAYLIGHT YESTERDAY. INFORMATION FROM INFORMANT INDICATED BECKMAN TO

DISCUSS KILLING OF [REDACTED] WITH ELMER DOWLING AND QUOTE BUSTER UNQUOTE.

THIS MORNING AND FURTHER EFFORTS WOULD BE MADE TO QUOTE HIT UNQUOTE

[REDACTED] LAST NIGHT OR EARLY TODAY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED OF APPARENT

PLANS TO KILL [REDACTED] SOURCE NOT REVEALED BUT CONFIDENTIAL NATURE

STRESSED. APPROXIMATELY TEN PM LAST NIGHT TWO BODIES DISCOVERED ON

COUNTRY ROAD TWO MILES NORTH OF BELLEVILLE, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILL.

APPROXIMATELY MIDNIGHT BODIES IDENTIFIED AS ELMER DOWLING AND

MEL BECKMAN. BODIES LOCATED ON SIDE OF ROAD AND EACH APPEARED SHOT

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PAGE EIGHTY ONE , CAPTIONED MATTER WHICH SETS OUT MEMBERS OF JURY IN  
WORTMAN ETAL CASE. USA CARL FEICKERT, EAST ST. LOUIS ADVISED OF  
ABOVE INFO EXCEPT FOR THAT RECEIVED FROM   
  
  
  
 NO INVESTIGATION BEING

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 4P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL. AR. UNITED STATES DISTRICT

JUDGE, WILLIAM C. JUERGENS, EASTERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS,

PRESENTLY IN KENTUCKY AND NOT EXPECTED TO RETURN TO HIS HOME,

CHESTER, ILLINOIS, UNTIL MARCH NINE OR TEN NEXT AT WHICH TIME

CONTENTS OF NOTES DOWLINGS POCKET WILL BE FURNISHED HIM BY

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, EAST ST. LOUIS. UNITED STATES ATTORNEY,

EAST ST. LOUIS, AND DEPARTMENT ATTORNEY JOHN J. SCHAUER ADVISE

NO APPARENT FEDERAL VIOLATION INVOLVED IN INSTANT MATTER FROM

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[REDACTED] UNITED STATES  
ATTORNEY AND DEPARTMENT ATTORNEY, EAST ST. LOUIS, FURNISHED  
WITH ABOVE CONTENTS OF NOTES TODAY. THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) -P-

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka; ETAL

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## WEEKLY SUMMARY

The following is the weekly summary of information obtained from [REDACTED]

On 2-28-62, informant advised there was considerable conversation regarding various members of the E. St. Louis, Illinois Police Department, along with a discussion of how to "get" new policemen before these individuals became "mixed up". Further conversation was had regarding interest of the FBI in the Pines Lounge. Considerable discussion took place regarding recent raids of gambling places by constables of the [REDACTED]. The raids were described as "shakedowns" and they were conducted to embarrass the [REDACTED].

In conversation, question was asked "how do they go about bugging a place?" Informant said discussion then went on concerning methods of such operation and the FBI was mentioned therein. MEL BECKMAN, [REDACTED] and "STORMY" HARVILL [REDACTED] believed involved in this conversation.

Also on 2-28-62, same individuals, including [REDACTED] discussed at length new federal legislation and cursed and discussed legislation in detail, indicating they had talked it over with Attorney HOBAN (former St. Clair County States Attorney). Apparent interest was in movement of liquor interstate illegally obtained.

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Informant further advised there was a discussion about the "total take" for the past several days, indicating costs of running the Pines Lounge, and proceeds from gambling and from the tavern.

MEL BECKMAN indicated he did not believe the Pines would be a good financial operation.

On 3-1-62, card game in operation at the Pines Lounge and MEL BECKMAN discussed the operation with unknown individuals. On this same day comment made regarding FBI's interest in the Pines Lounge and fact they were observing the place.

MEL BECKMAN and "STORMY" HARVILL discussed the kind of weapons they possess indicating one of them had a .45 automatic. Unknown individual made the comment, "I don't want STORMY to think I'm checking on him . . . . . that's what ELMER wants".

At 8:29 PM, telephone call received at Pines Lounge and thereafter two men talking together and one made the comment, "\_\_\_\_\_ called, State Police is on their way." Thereafter individuals talked about the profits or "take" at the club.

At 9:08 PM, unknown woman hollered to \_\_\_\_\_ that the Sheriff or the law was apparently present. Shortly thereafter, \_\_\_\_\_ discussed at length with two unknown individuals the fact that \_\_\_\_\_

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At 11:30 PM, \_\_\_\_\_ had discussion with MEL BECKMAN and \_\_\_\_\_ regarding \_\_\_\_\_ visit and further \_\_\_\_\_ told about his recent conversation with \_\_\_\_\_ regarding complaints on the Pines Lounge.

During morning of 3-2-62, card game in progress and unknown man made the comment that \_\_\_\_\_ said, "They can't get in any trouble in this area, they have all the JPs".

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On the evening of 3-2-62, [REDACTED] makes the comment that they are going to keep the Pines open until they are closed or raided and that the FBI is responsible for all the "heat" and pressure on the place.

During early morning hours, 3-3-62, MEL BECKMAN, [REDACTED] STORMY HARVILL, and [REDACTED] have discussion from about 1:00 AM until 3:35 AM, regarding plans to "hit" [REDACTED]. Elaborate and extensive discussions took place regarding how, where, and when [REDACTED] should be killed and one or more of the men left Pines Lounge during this time in order to see if [REDACTED] could be located that night and thereafter, reported back that [REDACTED] was at home. Discussion went on concerning plans to kill [REDACTED] the night of 3-3-62 and BECKMAN indicated he was going to discuss the situation further with ELMER (DOWLING) and BUSTER (WORTMAN) later that morning.

At about 10:00 AM, 3-3-62, STORMY HARVILL and [REDACTED] further discussed FBI and State Police interest in the Pines. b7c

At 12:05 AM, 3-4-62, unknown individual mentions a double murder and thereafter discussed the kind of weapon MEL BECKMAN was wearing. One of the individuals believed to be [REDACTED] others possibly STORMY HARVILL and [REDACTED] (It is noted that as of that time BECKMAN and DOWLING had been found slain, but their identity had not at that time been officially established - why [REDACTED] might have been at Pines Lounge at this time is unknown.)

During 3-4-62, various discussions held concerning the killing of DOWLING and BECKMAN, including fact large number of hoodlums have been picked up. During early morning 3-5-62, [REDACTED] commented that the gang did not know who killed the two and that BUSTER (WORTMAN) is like a wild mad bull. [REDACTED] indicated it was possible BECKMAN and DOWLING were shaking down a businessman and this resulted in the killing. [REDACTED] at length complained about the situation and the fact this would possibly cause them to have to close the Pines as it would not make money.

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URGENT 3-7-62 5-58 PM CST JM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ SP

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL., AR. OO-SI.

E. ST. LOUIS AREA  
AND ST. LOUIS AREA COVERED FUNERAL AND BURIAL SERVICES BECKMAN AND  
DOWLING. SERVICES IN E. ST. LOUIS AREA AND BURIALS IN ST. LOUIS.

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IN EVALUATING HARVILL-S CLAIM TO HAVE BEEN AT THE MOAT, IT SHOULD  
BE NOTED [REDACTED] HAS PREVIOUSLY b2 b7D  
ADVISED OF POSSIBILITY HARVILL WAS AT THE PINES LOUNGE SHORTLY  
AFTER MIDNIGHT, MARCH FOUR, LAST, WHICH WOULD APPEAR TO BE  
CONTRARY TO HIS CLAIM TO HAVE BEEN AT WORTMAN-S MOAT.  
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[REDACTED] APPROXIMATELY THREE THIRTY AM, MARCH FOUR LAST, AGENTS  
OBSERVED AUTOMOBILE AT FRANK WORTMAN-S MOAT RESIDENCE BELIEVED TO BE  
THAT OF GORDON FOSTER. MAIL COPY TO ST. LOUIS. THE WORTMANS SHOULD  
BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW  
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TO: SAC, Springfield (92-112)

FROM: Director, FBI (92-2816) - 399

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FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka., ET AL.  
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Reurtel 3/7/62.

Consideration should be given to furnishing the information concerning the possible presence of George Harvill at the Pines Lounge 3/4/62 to appropriate authorities provided this can be done with complete security to the confidential source which furnished this information. b7C

[REDACTED] Also advise significance of presence of the automobile belonging to Gordon Foster at Wortman residence 3/4/62. Furnish identifying data concerning Foster.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 3-2-62

FROM : SAC, Springfield

SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka; ETAL  
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Rerep of SA [REDACTED] dated 2-19-62,  
at Springfield.

Enclosed herewith are index pages to be added to  
rerep.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 2P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA. ET AL. AR. DAILY TELETYPE.

NO OTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE.

ADVISED

APPARENTLY TOLD AND STORMY HARVILL

THAT LOCAL AUTHORITIES TRYING TO PIN MURDERS ON AND  
HARVILL. THESE INDIVIDUALS DISCUSSED THE SITUATION AS TO THEIR  
WHEREABOUTS, CLAIMING NO KNOWLEDGE AS TO KILLERS. APPARENTLY

TALKED TO AND HARVILL  
YESTERDAY AFTER CONTACTED THEM. THEY TALKED FURTHER ABOUT

KEEPING PINES LOUNGE OPEN AND PLANNED TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION

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WITH QUOTE BUSTER END QUOTE TODAY. [REDACTED] b7D

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[REDACTED] SUBJECTS

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URGENT 3-9-62 5-27 PM CST RER

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 2P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE. USA, EAST  
ST. LOUIS, HAS ARRANGED CONFERENCE WITH USDI JUERGENS AT EAST ST.  
LOUIS EIGHT FORTY FIVE AM, MARCH TWELVE NEXT TO ADVISE JUDGE OF  
CONTENTS NOTES IN DOWLING-S POCKET. SA [REDACTED] WILL BE

PRESENT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WITNESS LOCATED WHO ALLEGEDLY SAW BECKMAN-S  
CAR TURN OFF HIGHWAY INTO LANE WHERE SLAYINGS OCCURRED. ANOTHER  
CAR ALLEGEDLY FOLLOWING BECKMAN-S AT ABOUT NINE PM MARCH THREE LAST.  
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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] YESTERDAY ADVISED STORMY HARVILL AND BELIVES  
[REDACTED] HAD DISCUSSION CONCERNING [REDACTED] AND HARVILL  
INDICATED THAT [REDACTED] WAS PUTTING [REDACTED] QUOTE IN THE MIDDLE  
UNQUOTE. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] INFORMANT FURTHER ADVISED UNKNOWN  
INDIVIDUAL ADVISED THERE WERE THREE QUOTE OUTFITS UNQUOTE ST. LOUIS  
DASH EAST ST. LOUIS AREA, NAMELY MICHAELS OUTFIT, VITALE OUTFIT AND  
WORTMAN OUTFIT, BUT ALL WERE FRIENDLY WITH EACH OTHER. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *also b7c*

DATE: March 6, 1962

FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, ET AL.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Belmont	_____
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In connection with the killing of two members of the Wortman gang of East St. Louis, Illinois, Springfield advises that [REDACTED] deceased

U. S. Attorney Carl Feickert is arranging a conference March 6, 1962, with U. S. District Judge William G. Juergens, East St. Louis, Illinois, and has requested SA [REDACTED] at Belleville, Illinois, to be present at this conference.

Springfield advises the Judge will not be advised of the information we received from a highly confidential source to the effect that Dowling and Beckman had discussed the killing of another Wortman gang member, [REDACTED] prior to the time they were found dead. With regard to this Springfield SAC has been instructed that we must not be placed in the position of withholding any pertinent information from Judge Juergens. [REDACTED] *refers*

Enclosure

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont  
Re: Frank Leonard Wortman

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
All possibilities are being explored which might indicate any Federal violation. b1

ACTION

Enclosed is a memorandum furnishing the Attorney General information as to these developments.

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## Memorandum

TO : MR. BELMONT *also*

DATE: March 7, 1962

FROM :

SUBJECT: FRANK BUSTER WORTMAN  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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*FRANK WORTMAN*

Previous memoranda have set forth information concerning the gangland killing of Elmer Dowling and Frank Beckman, gangland lieutenants of Wortman. We had received information from a highly confidential source indicating these two individuals were planning to kill another member of their organization named [REDACTED]. However, on the night of March 3, 1962, the bodies of Dowling and Beckman were found in Belleville, Illinois. Both men had been shot and abandoned in the country.

*about 3:5*

[REDACTED] The Wortman gang has, of course, been under active investigation by the Bureau for a long time and reports detailing their activities have been provided the Department. Our Springfield and St. Louis Offices are currently exploring all possibilities in connection with the murder of Dowling and Beckman to determine whether there are any possible Federal violations.

[REDACTED] The Sheriff's Office was referred to the U. S. Attorney concerning this matter. The U. S. Attorney has been contacted by our Springfield Office advising him of this development and the U. S. Attorney is attempting to reach the Federal Judge who tried the Wortman case; however, he is out of the city at the moment.

SAC, Springfield, stated no request has been received for the Bureau to conduct any type investigation concerning the Wortman jury and no investigation is being conducted in this connection.

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont  
RE: FRANK BUSTER WORTMAN

ACTION:

SAC, Springfield, is following this matter closely and will keep the Bureau currently advised. The Criminal Division of the Department has been advised concerning the above developments and Mr. Henry Petersen of the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section stated they appreciate very much this information and indicated the Bureau's action in referring this to the U. S. Attorney was the proper way it should be handled.

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The Attorney General

March 6, 1962

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Evans

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

As a supplement to information previously furnished to you concerning the hoodlum activities of the Frank Leonard Wortman gang, I want to advise you of information which has come to our attention concerning a proposed murder by members of this group.

A confidential source advised that Melvin Beckman, George Harvill and [redacted] described as strong-arm men in the Wortman mob, considered ways and means on March 3, 1962, of killing [redacted] another member of the Wortman organization who has been involved in muscling tactics concerning several East St. Louis taverns and clubs. The exact time, place and method of this proposed murder were not revealed by our informant. However, it was indicated that Beckman discussed this killing with Wortman and a chief lieutenant, Elmer Dowling, and that continuing efforts would be made to find an opportunity to kill [redacted].

This information was furnished by our Springfield Office [redacted]

As you know we have previously furnished to you information indicating that local enforcement officers and prosecutors are closely tied in with the hoodlum element in this area.

At approximately 10:00 p.m., March 3, 1962, two bodies were discovered on a country road near Belleville, Illinois, in the vicinity of East St. Louis, which were identified a few hours later as being the remains of Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman. Each of these individuals appeared to have been shot several times.

We are making inquiries to determine if there is a Federal violation involved in this situation and I will advise you of further pertinent developments.

- The Deputy Attorney General
- Mr. Herbert J. Miller, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General

NOTE: See cover memo Evans to Belmont, captioned as above, 3/5/62

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wants to see the evidence  
so have examiner call him  
when it arrives.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 192-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD 192-112/ 2P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY [REDACTED] AND STORMY HARVILL IN CONVERSATION AND NO INDICATION AT THAT TIME WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR KILLING. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LIST OF PALL BEARERS AND INDIVIDUALS AT FUNERAL SERVICES OBTAINED. SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. ST. LOUIS ADVISED BY AIRMAIL. P

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Date: 3-3-62

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RE: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka, et al  
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[REDACTED] March 3, 1962, advised four individuals believed to be MEL BECKMAN, [REDACTED] STORMY HARVILL, and [REDACTED] discussed at length and in detail killing [REDACTED] and one or more of group made efforts to find [REDACTED] during early morning but decided he was apparently at home. During additional discussions, informant advised further details of killing planned and discussed with observation they would check further on the plans later in the morning, 3-3-62. (This possibly refers to clearance of plans with FRANK WORTMAN and/or ELMER DOWLING.)

According to informant, killing will be carried out night of 3-3-62 or early morning 3-4-62 if [REDACTED] can be located in suitable location and position. Since exact date, time or place of killing unknown. [REDACTED]

Outcome of this matter will be made known to Bureau.

- ③ - Bureau  
1 - St. Louis (92-191)  
2 - Springfield (92-112) [REDACTED]

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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MAR 5 1962

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *B*

DATE: March 5, 1962

FROM : C. A. Evans *V*

SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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A highly confidential source maintained on the Pines Club, a meeting place for hoodlums in East St. Louis, Illinois, reported four members of the Wortman mob discussed plans on March 3, 1962, to kill another member of the gang.

This discussion was held between Melvin Beckman, [REDACTED] George Harvill and [REDACTED] strong-arm men associated with Wortman, as to plans to kill [REDACTED], another member of the gang who has been involved in muscling in various taverns and clubs in the East St. Louis area. The discussion did not reveal the exact time, place and method of the proposed murder, but did indicate that Beckman had discussed the killing of [REDACTED] with Wortman and one of his chief lieutenants, Elmer Dowling.

At approximately 10:00 p.m., March 3, 1962, two bodies were discovered on a country road two miles north of Belleville, a town situated near East St. Louis, Illinois. These bodies were identified as those of Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman, both of whom appear to have been shot several times.

The U. S. Attorney at East St. Louis has been apprised of the murder [REDACTED] Springfield instructed to make inquiry to determine if Federal violation and to keep Bureau closely advised.

**ACTION** Enclosed is an appropriate memorandum to the Attorney General advising him of the substance of the above information.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 3P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE. RE

BUAIRTEL MARCH EIGHT LAST AND MYTEL MARCH ELEVEN LAST. INFO

CONCERNING PRESENCE GEORGE HARVILL AT PINES LOUNGE MARCH FOUR LAST  
HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SIGNIFICANCE  
PRESENCE AUTOMOBILE OF GORDON FOSTER AT WORTMAN-S RESIDENCE  
MARCH FOUR LAST UNKNOWN., HOWEVER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN VERY CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH WORTMAN AND  
FAMILY SINCE FOSTER RELEASED FEDERAL PRISON MAY LAST. BELIEVED  
FOSTER NOTIFIED BY WORTMAN OR OTHER ASSOCIATES AND THEREAFTER  
FOSTER WENT TO MOAT [REDACTED]

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FOSTER IN PAST HAS HANDLED HANDBOOK  
OPERATIONS WORTMAN ORGANIZATION INCLUDING B&F DISTRIBUTING CO.,  
AND WAS CONVICTED USDC, E. ST. LOUIS, ON TAX CHARGES AS DIRECT OUT-  
GROWTH OVERALL WORTMAN INVESTIGATION.

████████████████████ ADVISED YESTERDAY AND TODAY OF APPARENT  
FURTHER CONTACT WITH ██████████ AND HARVILL AT PINES LOUNGE, E. ST.  
LOUIS, BY ██████████. SAME INFORMANT TODAY ADVISED  
██████████ DISCUSSED KEEPING PINES OPEN WITH FRANK WORTMAN AND INDICATED  
WOULD TRY TO KEEP PLACE OPEN TO KEEP QUOTE HEAT UNQUOTE OFF WORTMAN.

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FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 2P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA ETAL AR. DAILY TELETYPE. RE

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/  
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FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE.  
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OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED  
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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/  
FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 2P  
FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE. REMYTEL  
MARCH SEVENTEEN LAST. ST. LOUIS OFFICE ADVISED TODAY ON CONTACT

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IN USDC, E. ST. LOUIS, TODAY DEFENSE ATTORNEYS OF WORTMAN  
ETAL FILED MOTIONS FOR SUPPLEMENTAL RENEWAL OF MOTIONS FOR  
JUDGEMANT OF ACQUITTAL AND SETTING ASIDE VERDICT OF JURY. DATE  
FOR HEARING ON ABOVE MOTIONS NOT SET. THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE  
CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. O.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 2P

FRANK LEONARD WORTHMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR.

RECONTACT, [REDACTED] REFLECTS DISCUSSION

MARCH ELEVEN LAST BETWEEN QUOTE STORMY UNQUOTE HARVILL AND SEVERAL  
OTHERS, INCLUDING [REDACTED] THEY BELIEVED INDIVIDUAL WHO DID

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KILLINGS WAS SOMEONE WHO THREATENED TO REMOVE VENDING MACHINES  
OF WORTMAN, AND SOMEONE BECKMAN AND DOWLING HAD BEEN QUOTE SHAKING  
DOWN UNQUOTE.

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Reporting Office SPRINGFIELD	Office of Origin SPRINGFIELD	Date 3/19/62	Investigative Period 2/8/62 - 3/2/62
Title of Case  FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka; ELMER SYLVESTER DOWLING, aka; EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN, JR., aka		Report Made By SA [REDACTED]	Typed By [REDACTED]
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REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 2/19/62  
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It is noted that there is no information contained in this report concerning the recent double gangland slaying of ELMER SYLVESTER DOWLING and MEL BECKMAN. It is anticipated that a separate report will be submitted by this office covering investigation conducted relative to these slayings.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: USA, East St. Louis

Report of: SA [REDACTED] b7c  
Date: 3/19/62

Office: Springfield

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Title: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka;  
RIPER SYLVESTER DOWLING, aka;  
EDWARD "TED" WORTMAN, JR., aka

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

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THE WORTMANS AND DOWLING  
SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST  
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Date March 3, 1962

On 2/16/62, at approximately 4:20 p.m., SA [REDACTED] was traveling on Illinois Highway #161, headed east at the junction of Bypass 50, at which time he met a 1961 green Cadillac convertible going west on Highway #161. There was no license plate of the front of this Cadillac convertible, and [REDACTED] was observed driving the vehicle with two other occupants in the car, which were not identifiable. This Cadillac had white-wall tires, a green canvas top, a green body, and had a rearview mirror attached to the left side of the windshield and a radio antenna on the right side. b7C

On 2/19/62 SA [REDACTED] observed the 1961 green Cadillac convertible in which [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were arrested in near Vandalia, Illinois, on 2/18/62. From observation, this Cadillac convertible appeared to be the same type, make, model, and description as the Cadillac [REDACTED] was observed driving on 2/16/62, as mentioned.

On 2/16/62 & 2/19/62 at Belleville, Illinois File # 92-112  
by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 2/22/62 b7C

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B. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

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C. ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

Date February 16, 1962

At approximately 4:00 PM February 8, 1962 there was observed parked in front of The Pines Club, 914 North 37th Street, East St. Louis, Illinois, a 1959 white Cadillac Tudor bearing 1962 Illinois license [REDACTED] which is registered to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also a 1961 light blue Oldsmobile Tudor bearing 1962 Illinois license [REDACTED] which is registered to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also a 1958 black Oldsmobile convertible bearing 1962 Illinois license 169 870, which is known to be the automobile of GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL. also a 1961 black Ford Tudor, bearing Missouri license [REDACTED] registered to and known to be the automobile of [REDACTED]

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On 2/8/62 at East St. Louis, Illinois File # SI 92-112

by SA [REDACTED] b7c Date dictated 2/9/62

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The Evening Journal of East St. Louis, Illinois, March 1, 1962, carried a news article reflecting that East St. Louis Police Commissioner RUSSELL BEEBE had appeared on a television newscast in St. Louis on that date and in the course of this conversation BEEBE was asked concerning the lax law enforcement in the past in the East St. Louis area which situation allowed FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN to gain power. In the course of the questioning, BEEBE, according to the news article, stated "Well, there was something - something was wrong because strict law enforcement and harassing will stop it". The news commentator asked BEEBE the question "If BUSTER WORTMAN goes to prison, do you anticipate any kind of power struggle to take over his interests?" BEEBE replied, "Well, I doubt that. I have never met Mr. BUSTER WORTMAN and no one's ever approached me in his behalf and I don't think anyone else will approach me". BEEBE further made the comment "What I meant was they knew better than to approach me for WORTMAN. No one dared to. No one would approach me for anything else because no one has".

This news article went on to point out that St. Clair County State's Attorney JOHN M. KARNS, Jr. and Madison County State's Attorney DICK H. MUDGE earlier in the week had issued statements to the press that the WORTMAN gambling syndicate and the two counties were operated "open and in notorious violation of state law". These authorities further stated that if local law enforcement officers had done their duty, such conditions would not have existed. In connection with this interview of BEEBE, he further made the statement "Well, yes, I am 100% with the State's Attorneys that all law enforcement agencies must do their work or there'll be a breakdown. In our city, speaking since 1951, we have had no commercialized crap games, we've had no open bookies, loud speakers and such".

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D. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 2P

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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) (P)

SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka;  
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The following is a summary of information obtained from [redacted] from March 3 through March 20, 1962, it being noted that ELMER SYLVESTER DOWLING and MELVIN JOHN BECKMAN, a close WORTMAN associate, were found slain on the outskirts of Belleville, Illinois, night of 3/3/62:

On 3/3/62 at approximately 3:35 p.m. informant advised individual believed to be MEL BECKMAN was at the Paddock Lounge and talking about someone indicating this individual was "he's a dog". Also, informant advised that [redacted]

On 3/4/62 one [redacted] was at the Paddock Lounge at about 8:45 p.m.

On 3/5/62 unknown individual at about 9:55 p.m. who was possibly intoxicated was talking about ELMER DOWLING and indicated DOWLING was like a brother to this individual and described how much ELMER was liked. [redacted] was conversing at the Paddock with an individual by the name of JOE who is believed to be JOE JANKO, a well known WORTMAN associate. On this same evening there was conversation at the Paddock regarding the Lake Club as being a rather big operation. This may refer to the Lake Club, a well known Springfield, Illinois, night club.

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On 3/6/62 there was conversation by unknown individuals concerning WORTMAN and indication that he was to be telephoned and there was further conversation regarding ELMER DOWLING and MEL BECKMAN wherein the killings of these individuals and their funerals were discussed.

In the afternoon of 3/6/62 there was conversation regarding an unknown individual who apparently someone was endeavoring to locate and according to the conversation this person was to be at the Paddock between 7 and 8 p.m. that night. On the evening of 3/6/62 there was further conversation wherein the name of [REDACTED] was mentioned by unknown individuals.

At about 10:40 p.m. on 3/10/62 an individual believed to be STORMY HARVILL was talking with waitresses at the Paddock Lounge.

On 3/11/62 there was considerable conversation regarding the killings of BECKMAN and DOWLING by unknown individuals. Contained in these conversations and observations were numerous speculations as to why the above two had been killed but no indication that persons in the conversation had any knowledge of who might have done the killing, or the specific reason therefor. There were numerous names mentioned in the conversation including one STORMY, JOE, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The name of MEL BECKMAN was mentioned quite frequently during the conversation. On this same day there was also conversation regarding the race tracks in the East St. Louis area and when they would be opened. During further conversations at the Paddock on this date unknown individuals mentioned that DOWLING was a well liked individual; however, BECKMAN was no good and generally was disliked. On this same evening unknown individual mentioned that [REDACTED] had not come back from [REDACTED].

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On 3/13/62 [REDACTED] was in the Paddock Lounge and was talking about one incident when he had been shot in the back. In the conversation [REDACTED] name as well as the names of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and STORMY were mentioned. [REDACTED]

The informant will not be available for immediate contact; however, it is anticipated recontact will be made with this informant on or about April 2, 1962 and the Bureau will be appropriately advised of results of the contacts thereafter.

THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

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The following is a summary of information furnished by [REDACTED] from March 5 through March 19, 1962. It is noted that pertinent information from this informant was furnished to the Bureau by daily teletypes in captioned case.

On the early morning of March 5, 1962, informant advised there was extensive discussion regarding the killing of MEL BECKMAN and ELMER SYLVESTER DOWLING the previous Saturday night; that during the conversation there were comments concerning the fact that "BUSTER" (FRANK WORTMAN) was very upset over the killing and was quite angry and that the WORTMAN organization does not know who did the killings. In this conversation it was specifically pointed out that there are three gangs in the St. Louis Metropolitan area, including VITALE's outfit, MICHAELS' outfit, and the WORTMAN organization. In this conversation there were specified numerous hoodlums associated with these various outfits and it was commented that twenty-five or more of the hoodlums had been picked up in St. Clair County since the killing. There were numerous comments regarding motives for the killings.

On this same date, [REDACTED] commented about how tired he was and how long he had been up and the fact that the killings certainly had hurt their business and they were worried about how they were going to pay their bills and stay open; further, that FRANK WORTMAN wanted them to keep the place open for at least another month if possible.

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On March 7, 1962, there was extensive conversation regarding the operation of the Pines Lounge and discussion about business, paying the bills, obtaining a license, and further discussion about the killings of BECKMAN and DOWLING. During the conversations, informant advised that it was pointed out that [REDACTED] had done them numerous favors. b7c

On March 8, 1962, there was further conversation about the Pines and the possibility of fixing it up, but that business was still bad. There was discussion about the funeral of DOWLING and BECKMAN and extensive comment about the pressure being put on their operations by comments in the press and pressure from the law enforcement organizations, primarily the State Police and the FBI.

On March 9, 1962, there was discussion according to informant regarding gambling and gambling operations and losses at the Pines Lounge in the past, further that they had discussed their operations with [REDACTED]. In the conversation, informant advised that apparently HARVILL (GEORGE STORMY) and [REDACTED] felt that authorities were trying to pin the murders of DOWLING and BECKMAN onto them. In these conversations, according to informant, [REDACTED] and HARVILL go into considerable detail about the investigation and comments in the Post Dispatch and other Metropolitan St. Louis newspapers concerning them personally as well as their place of business and their associates. They discuss at length the pressure and "heat" being put on them and that they may possibly have to find a buyer for the Pines Lounge and that they are going to have to discuss the matter further with "BUSTER" (WORTMAN). Informant advised there was extensive discussion about individuals who owed gambling debts and other debts to [REDACTED] HARVILL and BECKMAN and how this money could be collected and what inventory they had in their place of business. b7c

On 3-10-62, HARVILL, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had a discussion according to the informant.

On 3-11-62, according to informant, there was a discussion regarding possession of various pistols at the Pines Lounge and discussion as to whether one or more of them belonged to BECKMAN. STORMY HARVILL is one of the individuals in this conversation.

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On 3-13-62, informant advised that [REDACTED] has lengthy discussions with STORMY HARVILL and possibly [REDACTED] regarding the present position of all of them and the fact that they can attribute all of their present troubles and problems to the FBI because of the pressure exerted on them in the past. During the conversation [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] complains extensively about their financial condition and financial loss and problems about keeping the place open and that the matter is going to have to be discussed further with "BUSTER".

[REDACTED]. According to informant, it appears that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and HARVILL are again friendly and are on friendly terms and are consulting each other about all of their present problems and the pressure being brought on by the FBI as well as by the State Police through the recent BECKMAN and DOWLING murder investigation. b7c

On 3-14-62, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] have additional conversation at which time [REDACTED]

In this conversation [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] agreed that if the FBI would leave everything alone they would probably be able to open up again in the near future, but it will be impossible to do so as long as the FBI's interest is maintained in the overall activities of the hoodlums.

On this same day, there is further discussion, according to informant, about future plans for some of the gamblers and gambling operations and possibility of moving the game elsewhere whereby HARVILL and [REDACTED] and some of their associates will still get a cut of the game.

On the night of 3-15-62, there is discussion regarding a meeting someplace on Bunkum Road and further that in a previous meeting one individual was unknown, but apparently there is some plan

to have everybody sign some type of paper.

On 3-16-62, informant advised there is discussion concerning selling some of the inventory at the Pines Lounge and the fact that a certain amount of money is needed to pay the various bills and that they are having trouble meeting with [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD 92-112/ 1P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA. ETAL. AR. DAILY TELETYPE. REMYTEL  
YESTERDAY. DALLAS, PHILADELPHIA, HOUSTON ADVISED NO SUBSTANCE  
TO INFORMATION RELATIVE TO [REDACTED]

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BE SUBMITTED MARCH TWENTYSIX NEXT. THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE  
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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112)

SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA

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OO: Springfield

Re [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

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FROM : *ST*  
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SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka, et al  
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The Assistant Attorney General who was receiving copies of reports submitted in this case is no longer in East St. Louis, Illinois, and apparently does not intend to return at any specific date. In view of the above, this office will no longer be furnishing one copy of the reports submitted to the Assistant Attorney General at East St. Louis.

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URGENT 3-22-62 7-35 PM CST RER

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/, SAC, PHILADELPHIA, SAC, DALLAS,  
AND SAC, HOUSTON

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 4P FR

FRANK LEONARD WORTHMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. OO-SI

REMYTEL MARCH TWENTYONE LAST RE SUSPECT

RECONTACT [REDACTED] REFLECTED

ON EARLY MORNING MARCH THREE LAST MEL BECKMAN AND OTHERS WERE  
DISCUSSING LOCAL POLITICS AND STRIP JOINTS. BECKMAN MADE  
COMMENT THAT HE JUST KNEW SOMETHING HAD TO HAPPEN TO THEM GUYS,  
APPARENTLY MEANING STRIP JOINT OPERATORS, ONE OF WHOM IS [REDACTED]  
ADDITIONAL INFO IS SET OUT IN MYTEL YESTERDAY FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RECEIVED MARCH ELEVEN SIXTYTWO

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THERE [REDACTED] HOUSTON AT CORPUS CHRISTI  
CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION RE [REDACTED] SUTEL AS EFFORTS BEING  
MADE TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED] TOMORROW. FOR INFO PHILADELPHIA,  
HOUSTON, DALLAS, ELMER SYLVESTER DOWLING AND MELVIN JOHN  
BECKMAN, TOP MEMBERS WORTMAN ORGANIZATION, ST. LOUIS AND  
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E. ST. LOUIS AREA, SLAIN IN GANGLAND STYLE NEAR BELLEVILLE,  
ILL., NIGHT MARCH THREE LAST. THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED  
ARMED AND DANGEROUS. ST. LOUIS ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

END AND ACK PLS

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**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION**

**March 17, 1962**

**This relates to the  
gangland murder of Elmer Dowling  
and Beckman hoodlum lieutenants of  
Frank Wortman.**

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
MAR 16 1962

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Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Evans	
Mr. Malone	
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Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
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Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

URGENT 3-16-62 6-29 PM CST RER

TO DIRECTOR, FBI 792-28107

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD 92-112/ 3P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE. REMYTEL

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[REDACTED] ST. LOUIS AND EAST  
ST. LOUIS PRESS LAST NIGHT AND TODAY CARRIED HEADLINE STORIES  
CONCERNING NOTES IN DOWLING-S POCKET REFLECTING ACTIVITIES OF  
JURORS DURING DELIBERATION IN RECENT WORTMAN - DOWLING ETAL  
TRIAL. [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] ADVISED  
YESTERDAY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SAME INFORMANT ADVISED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] COMPLAINED AT LENGTH ABOUT ALL PROBLEMS AND QUOTE HEAT  
UNQUOTE AND BLAMED ALL THEIR TROUBLES AND PROBLEMS ON THE FBI.  
THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

CORR PLS PAGE ONE LINE 15 WORD 3 SHLD BE "STATES"  
ST. LOUIS ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

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FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD 211548

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MARCH 15, LAST

BUREAU REQUESTED TO RETURN SPECIMENS TO SPRINGFIELD  
FOR RETURN TO CONTRIBUTOR.

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cc: Mr. Conrad

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**3/21/62**

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FRANK LEONARD WORTHMAN, AKA  
et al.

Report 3/31/62, and Laboratory Report PC-60240 F1 dated 5/15/62.

In accordance with your request, there is being forwarded under separate cover by registered mail, specimens Q1 through Q4 and K1 as listed in referenced Laboratory report.

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**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION**

**March 13, 1962**

**BACKGROUND**

This relates to the murder of Elmer Dowling and Malvin Beckman, hoodlum lieutenants of subject. [REDACTED] b1D

[REDACTED] b7C  
Upon receipt of details from Springfield Office concerning Judge Jaergens' statements [REDACTED] b7C  
Department will be advised.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Mr. Tolson ✓  
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URGENT 3-12-62 5-28 PM CST JM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 3P ANTIRACKETEERING

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE. USA CARL

FEICKERT, E. ST. LOUIS, ILL., AND SA [REDACTED] CONFERRED

DISTRICT JUDGE  
USDJ WILLIAM G. JUERGENS, E. ST. LOUIS, THIS AM. [REDACTED]

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**SUBMITTED CONCERNING THESE COMMENTS.**

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ADVISED FURTHER DISCUSSIONS OF KILLINGS YESTERDAY BUT NO  
PERTINENT INFO RE IDENTITY OF KILLERS. THE WORTMANS SHOULD  
BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END AND ACK PLS

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To: SAC, Springfield

From: Director, FBI

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka  
AM

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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

FROM

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-12)

SUBJECT

FRANK LEONARD FORTMAN, AKA

ET AL

AR

On March 13, 1962, SA [redacted] and United States Attorney CARL FEICKERT had a discussion with U. S. District Judge WILLIAM G. JUERGENS at East St. Louis [redacted]

After this discussion Judge JUERGENS had contact made with SA [redacted] at which time Judge JUERGENS advised SA [redacted]

- ③ - Bureau (92-2810) (MEHURE)  
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Special Agent in Charge

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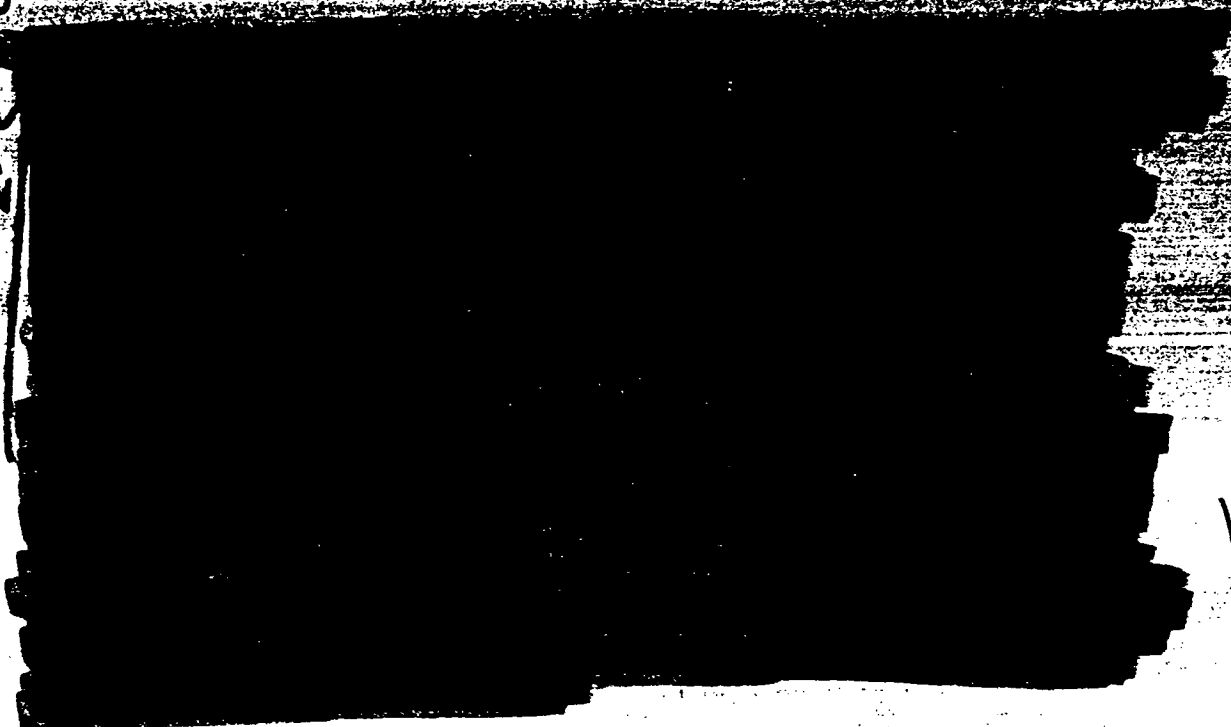
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Attached letterhead memorandum sets out  
comments of Judge **JUERGENS**



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**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION**

3/5/62

This relates to the gangland murder  
of Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman,  
lieutenants of Frank Wortman, leading  
hoodlum in East St. Louis, Illinois.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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MAR 24 1962

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URGENT 3-24-62 5-45 PM CST JM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 1P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA. ETAL, AR. 90 SPRINGFIELD.

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OFFICE OF ORIGIN

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Malone	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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MATTER

BEING CLOSELY FOLLOWED. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS. WORTMAN SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END AND ACK PLS

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cc Sub Sec SF-104

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**TELETYPE**

URGENT 3-27-62 4-45PM CST CLM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-2810

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD 92-112

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA. ETAL. AR. DAILY TELETYPE.

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SUMMARY DEVELOPMENTS BE FURNISHED BUREAU MARCH THIRTY NEXT.

THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE  
CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST. AM COPY SENT ST. LOUIS. P.

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FBI  
cc Mr Conrad

92-2810

Invoice of Contents from  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN,  
AKA, ET AL.  
AM

Date 3/21/62

Case References

Consigned to: MARINE, Springfield 14 (92-112)

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**SPECIAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION**

**March 27, 1962**

**This concerns the recent  
murder of East St. Louis hoodlums  
Elmer Dowling and Melvin Beckman,  
lieutenants of top hoodlum Frank  
Wortman.**

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Callahan  
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Mr. DeLoach  
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URGENT 3-25-62 2-28PM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI 92-2510

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD 92-112

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA., ETAL, AR. 69-SPRINGFIELD.

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REMYTEL MARCH TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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## Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

(92-2810)

DATE: 3-26-62

FROM : SAC, Springfield

(92-112)

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SUBJECT: FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka; ETAL  
ARRerep of SA [REDACTED] dated 3-19-62, at  
Springfield.

Enclosed herewith are Index Pages to referenced report.

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URGENT 3-21-62

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC, ST. LOUIS 211855

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY, ELECTRONICS SECTION.

JUNE, FRANK L. WORTMAN, AKA; ET AL; AR. OO: SPRINGFIELD.

[REDACTED] AUTHORITY b7c  
FOR INSTALLATION BEING REQUESTED SEPARATELY.

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3/22/62  
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EX-115

CC: MR. EVANS

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TO SAC ST. LOUIS REC

EX-115

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (92-2818) - 43 JUNE

FRANK L. WORTMAN, AKA, ET AL, AR. REURAD MARCH TWENTY  
ONE REQUESTING ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT.

SUBMIT INVENTORY CARDS.

SHIPMENT OF EQUIPMENT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AUTHORITY FOR  
INSTALLATION.

- (11)
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
  - 1 - Mr. Belmont
  - 1 - Mr. Evans
  - 1 - Mr. Callahan (Attention: [REDACTED])
  - 1 - Bufile 80-791

NR. 2-21883  
ENC. [REDACTED]  
CK. [REDACTED]  
APPROVED BY [REDACTED]  
TYPED BY [REDACTED]

NOTE: Equipment requested for installation contemplated before March 25.  
Authority for installation being handled separately. Send by urgent teletype  
if radio contact missed March 22, 1962.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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SAC, St. Louis (92-191 Sub 1)

3/26/62

Director, FBI (92-2810)-432 JUNE

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FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka  
AR

Based on your recommendation and provided complete security is assured, authority is granted to conduct a survey to determine feasibility of a misur on [REDACTED] b7C

Advise the Bureau promptly of the results of this survey, and in the event authority for installation is desired, submit appropriate FD-142 with your recommendations.

1 - Springfield (92-132) 112

NOTE:

[REDACTED] Wortman recently convicted on income tax charge in United States District Court, and on 3/3/62 two of his top henchmen Elmer "Dutch" Dowling and Melvin John Beckman were killed in gangster style near Belleville, Illinois. These murders still are unsolved. b7C

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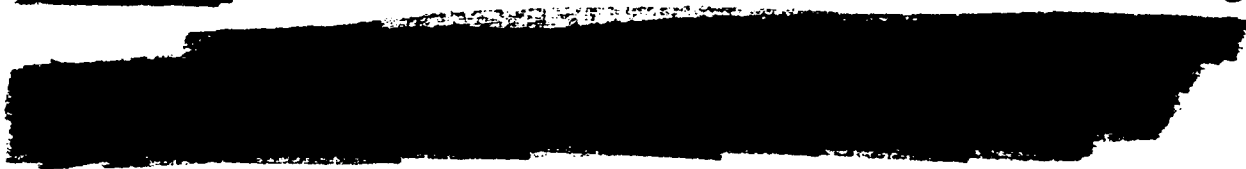
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (92-191 Sub 1)

J U N E0  
FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka;  
AR  
(OO: SPRINGFIELD)RE: REQUEST FOR SURVEY FOR INSTALLATION  
OF MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE



The St. Louis Division is contemplating the installation of a microphone surveillance \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Agent in Charge

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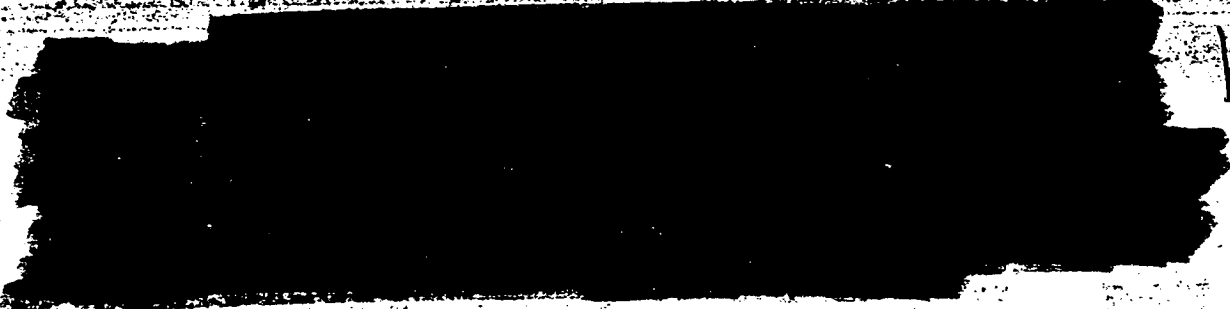
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ment and authorization is requested for this office to conduct the necessary survey to determine if such installation can be accomplished. If authorization is granted, utmost care will be exercised to protect the security of such installation and to avoid any embarrassment to the Bureau.

As the Bureau is aware, WORTMAN was recently convicted on an income tax charge in U. S. District Court, East St. Louis, Illinois, and the final outcome of that case will no doubt through appeals and motions be delayed for some time. Also, on 3/3/62 two of WORTMAN's top henchmen, ELMER "DUTCH" DOWLING and MELVIN JOHN BECKMAN, were killed in gangland style near Belleville, Illinois, and those killings are still unsolved.



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It is believed that this installation would materially assist in the AR investigations of the St. Louis Office.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
MAR 29 1962

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Malone	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 1P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA., ET AL., AR, DAILEY TELETYPE.

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THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY  
HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST. MAIL COPY ST. LOUIS.

END AND ACK PLS

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To: SAC, Springfield

From: Director, FBI

FRANK LEONARD WORTHMAN  
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If not already done, this information should be made available to the U. S. Attorney and the Federal District Judge at East St. Louis.

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Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
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RADIOGRAM

URGENT (HOLD FOR NEXT CONTACT)

TO SAC SPRINGFIELD (63-New)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (63-New) *b7c*

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REBUAIRTEL APRIL THREE, LAST, ORDERING INVESTIGATION UNDER  
ABOVE CAPTION AND REUR DAILY TELS ON FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA,  
ET AL, AR. IN ORDER THAT BUFILES WILL BE COMPLETE, BE SURE  
PERTINENT INFORMATION RE [REDACTED] IS SUBMITTED UNDER CAPTION THIS  
COMMUNICATION EVEN IF MENTIONED IN DAILY WORTMAN TELS. *b7c*

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1 - [REDACTED] Room 1529 [REDACTED]

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Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
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ST. LOUIS CONDUCT NO INVESTIGATION UACB.

MAIL COPIES FURNISHED ST. LOUIS.

THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY  
HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

END AND ACK PLS

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
APR 3 1962  
TELETYPE

Mr. T. [redacted]  
Mr. [redacted]  
Mr. Jones  
Mr. DeLoach  
Mr. Evans  
Mr. Malone  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Sullivan  
Mr. Tavel  
Mr. Trotter  
Tele. Room  
Miss Holmes  
Miss Gandy

URGENT 4-3-62 1-48 PM CST CR

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 3P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE - REMYTEL

YESTERDAY. AT CONFERENCE THIS AM USDJ WILLIAM G. JUERGENS AND  
USA CARL W. FEICKERT, EAST ST. LOUIS, AND SA [redacted]

INFORMATION SET OUT RETEL FURNISHED ABOVE OFFICIALS. USJ JUERGENS

[redacted] JUDGE  
JUERGENS AND USA FEICKERT STATED THEY REQUESTED DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
TO PURSUE THIS MATTER FURTHER INCLUDING AN INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE  
ACTS OF JURY TAMPERING AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD TAKE APPROPRIATE  
ACTION AS WAS FELT NECESSARY BASED UPON THE FACTS AS GLEANED THROUGH  
THE INVESTIGATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO DATE. JUDGE JUERGENS  
SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED IF IT WERE POSSIBLE THAT HE BE FURNISHED  
WITH A COPY OF THE RESULTS OF THE POLYGRAPH TESTS AND QUESTIONS  
ASKED BY POLYGRAPH EXAMINER., ALSO THAT HE BE FURNISHED WITH ANSWERS  
END PAGE ONE...

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AND QUESTIONS THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN ASKED BY [REDACTED] AND

DURING CONFERENCE JUDGE JUERGENS COMMENTED

SPRINGFIELD CONDUCTING NO INVESTIGATION UNTIL

END PAGE TWO....

PAGE THREE....

AUTHORIZED AND INSTRUCTED BY BUREAU. BOTH JUDGE JUERGENS AND USA  
FEICKERT WERE ADVISED THAT MATTER BEING REFERRED TO BUREAU HEAD-  
QUARTERS ALONG WITH THEIR SPECIFIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO REQUEST  
MATTER BE PURSUED. JUDGE JUERGENS- FINAL COMMENT WAS  
QUOTE I FEEL THERE-S SOMETHING WRONG HERE. UNQUOTE. SUBJECTS  
SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. AIRMAIL COPY SENT ST.  
LOUIS.

CORRECT... ~~PAGE TWO LINE SIXTEEN WORD FOUR "CONSIDERED"~~

END AND ACK PLS

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

APR 6 1962

**TELETYPE**

Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Evans \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Malone \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
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Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

URGENT 4-6-62 8-11 PM CST RK

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 2P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL. AR. REMYTEL APRIL FOUR LAST.

**THREE REMAINING JURORS INTERVIEWED AND GIVEN POLYGRAPH TESTS TODAY**

AT BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS. NOTHING OF SIGNIFIGANCE DEVELOPED EXCEPT

MAURICE SHENKER, FRANK WORTMAN-S ATTORNEY, DURING

KMOX TV, ST. LOUIS, NEWS BROADCAST APRIL FOUR LAST, COMMENTED  
UNFAVORABLY REGARDING INTERROGATION OF JURY. IN VIEW OF CONCLUSION

SUBSTANTIAL PROTION OF INVESTIGATION [REDACTED] 9 DATE 1964

TELETYPE NOT BEING SUBMITTED. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED ANY PERTINENT

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AM COPY TO STM LOUIS.

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OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED  
WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

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**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION**

March 19, 1962

**BACKGROUND**

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Matter being followed by Bureau and efforts being made to interview informant. Results will be made available to the Attorney General.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
MAR 17 1962  
TELETYPE

Mr. Callahan  
Mr. Conrad  
Mr. DeLoach  
Mr. Evans  
Mr. Malone  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Sullivan  
Mr. Tavel  
Mr. Trotter  
Tele. Room  
Miss Holmes  
Miss Gandy

URGENT 3-17-62

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PM CST JM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/ AND SAC, ST. LOUIS /92-191/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 3P ANTIRACKETEERING

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. DAILY TELETYPE. REM TEL

MARCH TWELVE LAST.

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[REDACTED] ALSO DETERMINE OWNER ABOVE MISSOURI LICENSE AND REASON  
PRESENCE OF VEHICLE AND OCCUPANT AT [REDACTED] THE WORTMANS  
SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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**SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION**

**April 3, 1962**

The jury referred to is the jury which convicted Wortman and his Lieutenant, Elmer Dowling, of income tax violations. Dowling was subsequently murdered in gang-land style and state authorities are conducting investigation in effort to determine identity of murderer.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
APR 2 1962  
TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson ☒  
Mr. DeLoach ☒  
Mr. Evans ☒  
Mr. Malone ☒  
Mr. Rosen ☒  
Mr. Sullivan ☒  
Mr. Tavel ☒  
Mr. Trotter ☒  
Tele. Room ☒  
Miss Holmes ☒  
Miss Gandy ☒

URGENT 4-2-62 7-42 PM CST JM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /92-2810/

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD /92-112/ 3P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, AKA, ETAL, AR. <sup>Anti-racketeering</sup> DAILY TELETYPE. RE MY TEL

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[REDACTED] USA FEICKERT AND USDJ WILLIAM G.

JUERGENS, BOTH EAST ST. LOUIS, HAVE REQUESTED CONFERENCE WITH SA [REDACTED] EIGHT THIRTY AM TOWMORROW., HOWEVER, NOT KNOWN SPECIFICALLY IF CONFERENCE RELATIVE ABOVE MATTER AS BOTH FEICKERT AND JUERGENS HAVE BEEN IN COURT ALL DAY. EFFORTS STILL BEING MADE

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TO CONTACT FEICKERT AND ADVISE IN SUBSTANCE ABOVE. SA [REDACTED]

TO ATTEND CONFERENCE <sup>Unless Advised to Contrary by Bureau</sup> ~~HQ~~ ST. LOUIS ADVISED BY AIRMAIL. SUBJECTS ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END AND ACK PLS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

DATE: April 6, 1962

*CBH/9*  
FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (92-191 Sub 1) (P) *b7c*

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SUBJECT: *D*  
FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka;  
ET AL  
AR  
OO: SPRINGFIELD

Re St. Louis airtel to the Bureau dated 3/21/62, and  
Bureau letter to St. Louis dated 3/26/62

2 - Bureau (RM - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED) *92-2810-439*  
1 - Springfield (92-191) (RM - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED)  
1 - St. Louis

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**AIRTEL**

**TO: SAC, Springfield**

**FROM: Director, FBI**

**FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN**

**AR**

Re your airtel 4/8/62 summarizing pertinent material received from [redacted] regarding activities of the Wortman group between 2/28 and 3/18/62. *b2 b7D*

It is felt that much of the information reported by this source is pertinent to and an essential part of the investigation concerning the Wortman organization and should, therefore, be appropriately disseminated as is other information developed in your inquiries in this regard. Therefore, unless some compelling reason to the contrary exists, the pertinent parts of this information should be included in your next report. It should be very carefully screened and paraphrased so that the identity of the source will not be disclosed. In view of the delicate and voluminous nature of this information, you may desire to consider employing more than one [redacted] in reporting this particular information. *b2*

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**NOTE:** The material referred to comprises 74 pages. If incorporated into a single report might disclose the nature of the source which is a highly confidential installation, unless the office for the purpose of this one report is permitted to use more than one [redacted] in order to protect this highly sensitive source. *b2*

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APR 10 1962  
COMM-FBI**

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
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**53 APR 13 1962**  
MAIL ROOM ☒ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

FBI

Date: 4-9-62

Transmit the following in **PLAIN TEXT**  
(Type in plain text or code)Via **AIRTEL** **AIR MAIL**  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)  
 FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) (P)  
 SUBJECT : FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, Aka.  
 ET AL  
 ANTI-RACKETEERING

RE: Contact with [REDACTED] b2 b7D

Contact with captioned informant has been negative through April 6, 1962 other than fact, according to informant, the Pines Lounge is being completely remodeled and apparently redecorated and will be re-opened in the near future under the name of New Club 50.

On 4/2,3/62 informant advised lounge to be called the New Club 50 at 914 North 37th Street, East St. Louis and will probably be operated as a "Strip Joint" and license for the tavern will probably be obtained under the name of [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] A liquor license has not, as yet, been issued for [REDACTED] however [REDACTED] has apparently promised these individuals they could have a license as soon as the primary election was over in St. Clair County, which will be held April 10, 1962.

Contact with this informant will be maintained and Bureau advised of developments.

THE WORTMANS AND DOWLING SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

3 - Bureau (92-2810)  
 2 - Springfield (92-112) b2 b7D

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Approved: [Signature]

Sent [Signature]

Per [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

FBI

Date: 4/9/62

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(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka.

ETAL

AR

There is enclosed letterhead memorandum which is self-explanatory regarding allegations involving [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

No further investigation in this matter is being conducted by the Springfield Office at this time.

THE WORTMANS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- ② - Bureau (enc. 4) 2cc memo to Dir GIBBONS  
 3 - Springfield (92-112) 1cc memo to Dir 4/12/62  
 (94-232) 1cc memo to Dir in 1541  
 (80-145)

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent [Signature]

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**  
**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION**

**SUBJECT: FRANK "BUSTER" WORTMAN**

**FILE NUMBER: 92-2810 SECTION 15**

FBI

Date: 4-5-62

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(Type in plain text or code)Via Airtel Airmail  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-2810)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-112) P

FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, aka  
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Springfield file

There is enclosed pertinent material from [redacted] regarding activities of the WORTMAN organization between periods February 28, 1962, through March 18, 1962. Information obtained should not be divulged or disseminated unless it is carefully paraphrased so the identity of the source is not disclosed.

It is noted that from February through March there was considerable activity on the part of the WORTMAN gang, and specifically on the part of JOHN MELVIN BECKMAN, aka Mel. GEORGE ANDREW HARVILL, aka "Stormy" and [redacted], who took over the Pines Lounge, 914 North 37th Street, East St. Louis, Illinois, in early February, 1962, after they obtained this place by "muscling" out the previous operator. ELMER DOWLING and FRANK WORTMAN were undoubtedly aware of this situation and apparently approved it. [redacted] had been previously closely associated with the first mentioned three individuals in their strongarm and muscling operation, but fell into disfavor with them in February [redacted]

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SI 92-112

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On early morning, March 3, 1962, there was extensive discussion regarding killing of [REDACTED] and BECKMAN, HARVILL and [REDACTED]

On the night of March 3, 1962, BECKMAN and ELMER SYLVESTER DOWLING were found slain in apparent gangland style on a country road on the outskirts of Belleville, Illinois, in St. Clair County and this slaying has been under extensive investigation by the Illinois State Police and St. Clair County Sheriff's Office since that time, but is still unsolved. The Bureau has instructed this matter be followed closely and close liaison be maintained including a daily teletype of developments. As of present date the slaying is still unsolved.

On February 26, 1962, ELMER SYLVESTER DOWLING, FRANK LEONARD WORTMAN, usually known as BUSTER, and GREGORY MOORE, were convicted in United States District Court, East St. Louis, on conspiracy to evade income taxes and during the trial TED WORTMAN was a defendant, but a hung jury resulted and an acquittal resulted insofar as other defendant SAM MAGIN.

[REDACTED] b7C b7D

Atlanta, Chicago, and St. Louis should review information furnished for any pertinency and analysis and appropriately advise Springfield of any observations thereof.

Pages two and three of enclosed document refers to activities in [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Page four refers to initial discussion regarding the killing of [REDACTED]

Page five refers to a score by [REDACTED] netting \$436 and also another stickup of a crap game by [REDACTED] b7C

Page nine refers to [REDACTED] who in the past has been associated with [REDACTED] and others.

Page 10 refers to a witness, [REDACTED] in the killing of one [REDACTED] in St. Louis recently, allegedly by [REDACTED]

Page 14 through 49 reflects extensive plans to kill [REDACTED] by BECKMAN [REDACTED] HARVILL, and [REDACTED]. There is set out other killings by these persons as well as their associates and included there is mentioned 17 killings, apparently in Chicago. It appears from this conversation that BECKMAN possibly is responsible for the killing of JOHN STENGELE in East St. Louis, a coin machine operator, who was slain in October of 1961. STENGELE was shot in the head and neck by a shotgun.

Page 46 refers to [REDACTED] and this person's associations with [REDACTED]

Page 47 refers to a \$17,000 "score" by [REDACTED]. This is believed to be the case entitled, "Unsub; Community Federal Savings and Loan Association, St. Louis, Missouri, January, 1960, Bank Burglary." b7C

Page 49 refers to burglaries apparently committed by [REDACTED] and his associates in the East St. Louis area.

Page 59 refers to activities of the strip joint operators, [REDACTED]

Page 51 refers to an apparent tipoff by [REDACTED] to "STORMY" HARVILL and [REDACTED] concerning the slaying of ELMER DOWLING and MELVIN BECKMAN on the night of 3-3-62.

Page 52 through 56 refers to discussions by [REDACTED] HARVILL and others regarding the killing of DOWLING and BECKMAN.

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Page 57 refers to the association of [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] and other hoodlums. b7c

Page 59 refers to the association of [REDACTED] with WORTMAN hoodlums and reflects there are three outfits in the St. Louis-East St. Louis area, namely MICHAELS VITALE's, and WORTMAN's. b7c

Page 61 through 62 refers to the investigation by the Sheriff of St. Clair LCounty and the Sate Police regarding the killings of DOWLING and BECKMAN.

Page 64 refers to present financial problems of FRANK WORTMAN. Page 64 (bottom) and page 65 refer to opinions of [REDACTED] and HARVILL regarding who is responsible for the killing of DOWLING and BECKMAN. b7c

Page 66 and 67 refer to various firearms apparently possessed by FRANK WORTMAN. b7c b7D

[REDACTED]

Further contact will be maintained with [REDACTED] b2 b7D

THE WORTMANS AND ASSOCIATES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY AND IN VIEW OF FACT THEY ALLEGEDLY HAVE CARRIED WEAPONS IN THE PAST.

GIBBONS

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D  
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b2 b7D The following information was received from SI [REDACTED] from period of February 28, 1962, through March 18, 1962; any dissemination or divulging of this information should be carefully paraphrased so that the identity of this source is not disclosed.

At 11:12 AM, February 28, 1962, an unknown individual was discussing the East St. Louis Police Department and was telling other unknown individuals how to "get" new policemen and explained that it was best to "get" these new policemen as soon as they were hired and not wait until someone got them "mixed up". During the discussion several "good guys" on the East St. Louis Police Department were discussed; however, no specific names were mentioned.

At this point an unknown individual made the comment that he wanted to get out of the place before the "United States" (meaning the FBI) came into the place.

Thereafter, several individuals, one being MEL BECKMAN, discussed a recent raid on several Negro gambling establishments in the South End of East St. Louis [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In discussion, BECKMAN pointed out that these raids were obviously a "shakedown" and that the raids were entirely political and shakedown raids made by the [REDACTED] political organization in order to embarrass the Democratic organization of [REDACTED] b7C

MEL (BECKMAN): "How do they bug this (obscene) joint -- put something on the outside?"

"You know that --- before we get out of here."

Unknown: "They know that -- that FBI you know."

MEL: "They can take any (obscene) now and (obscene) him up - an individual - they really strengthen that (obscene) law along with whores, prostitution, and gambling."

"In other words, if I bring some stuff in from Tennessee -- I mean Kentucky and on my way I'm going to Georgia -- every state you go through its a count"

Unknown: "Count for each state."  
(Believed to be [REDACTED])

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ENCLOSURE

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

MEL: "Yow (obscene) a beef for every state."

"I know it - someone called me on the phone and told me you were carrying that whiskey down there - I said he's just going to mess himself up."

[REDACTED]  
(believed)

"I'd better be careful."

MEL: "If you do -- you'd better be careful how you pick the stuff up."

[REDACTED] "How about bringing it in my own car?" b7C

MEL: "If you do that and you get picked up they can take your (obscene) car and confiscate it this quick."

[REDACTED] "Yow, I know my phone's tapped. [REDACTED] called me"

MEL: "I think our phone's tapped too."

The above is in reference to a conversation between MEL and an unknown individual believed to be [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] and apparently have been moving whiskey between the two states, possibly either stolen whiskey or that on which taxes have not been paid or else taxes paid in one state or not in another. The conversation thereafter continues along the same vein and MEL makes reference to the new federal legislation and how tough it is and the fact that it has put some teeth into federal laws concerning racketeering and so forth. MEL further makes reference to the fact that telephone is apparently bugged. MEL several times observes that the new federal laws are going to be tough. During the conversation, an individual believed to be GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL commented, "They put some teeth in that new (obscene) laws with these last bills they passed."

Comment made that new laws discussed with [REDACTED] b7C

MEL: "I'll tell you they can (obscene) you up so bad you can't make a bond - like if you get nailed in Georgia and havean Illinois sticker on it automatically the State of Illinois would put a hold on you and they could put a hold on you and a bond on you for every state you went through."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

At 9:15 PM, 2-28-62, two men have an extensive discussion regarding the books and records concerning the Pines Lounge operation in East St. Louis and "STORMY" comments, "You checking on me again, [REDACTED] MEL BECKMAN thereafter comments about keeping records and how much trouble is caused because of it. It appears that "STORMY" HARVILL, MEL BECKMAN and [REDACTED] are all in the place and continue to talk about books and records and trouble with keeping such records. [REDACTED] comments: b7C

[REDACTED] "If [REDACTED] pays us that money, we'll get a license - you want to put that whiskey up."

The telephone rings at this point and one of the individuals states "Did he get you what you wanted? I'll stop by there - put it in an envelope and if you are not there I'll pick it up."

At 11:42 PM, 2-28-62, MEL BECKMAN is talking with an unknown individual believed to be [REDACTED] of East St. Louis concerning operations of strip joints and they discuss one of the best "bust out" guys in the business and appear to be referring to one [REDACTED]. The individual believed to be [REDACTED] talks about his knowledge of strip joint operations and claims he knows more about operating these joints than [REDACTED] or any of those "dagos".

BECKMAN continues to talk about strip joints and refers to the fact one of the operators was making \$700 to \$1,000 per week, possibly at either the club 50 or the Show Club before they were closed; refers to the fact that one individual [REDACTED] was working at one of these joints and ruined the business and was stealing \$150 per week from the Show Club. MEL then comments about [REDACTED] and talks about the time he, BECKMAN, told [REDACTED] he should get out of town by tomorrow and go back where he came from. This apparently is in reference to an occasion in October, 1961, when BECKMAN, [REDACTED] "STORMY" HARVILL, took over the Show Club by use of "muscle" by beating up one individual and telling [REDACTED] to leave town. BECKMAN then comments about [REDACTED] and the fact they would come into the strip joints, sit around and then leave. b7C

Conversation continues about "getting" \$800 to \$1,000 from one guy. BECKMAN thereafter comments that the present joint they are operating, known as the Pines Lounge in East St. Louis, will probably not "go" and continues talking about the place needs to be remodeled from the outside and that they need a band in the place. 3

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

During early morning hours of 3-1-62, a card game is in progress at the Pines Lounge and continues most of the night. It is noted these card games, usually poker games, often continue around the clock at this location.

[REDACTED], also MEL BECKMAN and "STORMY" HARVILL are present most of the time as well as [REDACTED]

At 4:00 PM, 3-1-62, MEL BECKMAN and "STORMY" HARVILL are discussing the number of automobiles parked out in front of their place and BECKMAN complains that it makes the place look like that it is packed and comments, "The FBI will come swarming in here." The two further discuss [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HARVILL and BECKMAN then talk about [REDACTED] and the fact that they are on the outs with him.

HARVILL: [REDACTED] called me. I (obscene) with him and he said he called your house a couple of times - I told him I hoped he could get straightened out - He said he'd be home most of the time, said he sent that girl out of town - he'll have to send her out to make some money."

BECKMAN: "In a few days he'll be out messing around - he'll be out on the weekend. I told [REDACTED] that they're going to have to follow him like we have to do. -- then go hit the (obscene).

"He drives fast - he watches - "

STORMY HARVILL: "I tell you one thing --"

BECKMAN: "I can follow any (obscene) G (FBI) follows us, don't they?"

STORMY HARVILL: "Yow, better get him before then."

"You're better than any (obscene) MEL, you'll be able to shut him up."

MEL: "All going to jail - I told him I got to get all those (obscene) pistols and that other stuff out of my house."

[REDACTED] (obscene) snitch - yow, but he's got to stand with the verdict - I don't trust that (obscene)"

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

STORMY HARVILL: "Believe me he's (obscene) his wife.

BECKMAN: "Why, absolutely."

"He's done put the bug on [REDACTED]"

"He can't get shot without (obscene) just because I \_\_\_\_\_ ears."

HARVILL thereafter laughs.

BECKMAN: "If he dies, I'll go (obscene) her."

At 5:02 PM, 3-1-62, [REDACTED] is talking on the telephone and the individual refuses to give his name, but wants to know if the poker game is going at the place and [REDACTED] continues to ask whose is calling, but since no one will identify themselves he eventually hangs up. [REDACTED] then discusses the situation about the call with BECKMAN.

At about 5:25 PM, 3-1-62, MEL BECKMAN and "STORMY" HARVILL and another individual believed to be [REDACTED] are talking. One of them mentions having a .45 and they talk about guns and talk about the one gun they took away from an individual believed to be [REDACTED] at the Paddock about a week ago.

BECKMAN: "Some place hit and looked at for a week - not a \$5 bill in the place - two fives the rest ones - \$118 in pennies - we ended up with \$436."

Thereafter, [REDACTED] talks about robbing a crap game where they used a shotgun and a pistol and put the money in a wire wastebasket and then ran out of the place and came out of the basement and they fell down and spilled the money all over the sidewalk; that someone tried to grab some of the money and they had to pull the shotgun on this individual and tell him to get out of there. The individuals then talk about a "job" where they had to knock down a door. BECKMAN then talks about going on one job with a guy who was so nervous he could not open the safe even though he had the combination and MEL finally told the individual to write the numbers down so he, BECKMAN, could open the safe. Thereafter, [REDACTED] and MEL BECKMAN are talking about how business is at the Pines Lounge and [REDACTED] said that all he wants is to make a living and the only ones he cares about are MEL BECKMAN and "STORMY" HARVILL. BECKMAN states, "That card game has got to stop."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

b7C

Thereafter, [REDACTED] BECKMAN and HARVILL talk about the proceeds at the place and the fact there is some difference in the money when HARVILL was working. BECKMAN states, "Lucky he ain't got ELMER (DOWLING) when ELMER watches, he watches every (obscene) penny."

At 8:29 PM, 3-1-62, the telephone rings, unknown man states, "Who? I'll be right out."

At 8:52 PM, two men enter the room and one says, "called - the State Police is on their way." Thereafter, there is a discussion about finances, one claims he should have \$893, according to the tape, but only has \$879.

At 8:59 PM, 3-1-62, a woman calls to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] states, "Who is it?" Woman states, "the Sheriff".

In connection with the above, it is noted that on the evening of 3-1-62, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7C

At 9:13 PM, 3-1-62, [REDACTED] is cursing and hollering in a loud voice and complaining about [REDACTED] just being at the place and inquiring about the identity of [REDACTED] and who was running the place. [REDACTED] went into a lengthy explanation of about how he told off the [REDACTED] and would not let the [REDACTED] into the back room and curses and complains about State Police interference in their operations and the fact that [REDACTED] has no business in the place and [REDACTED] personally dislikes [REDACTED] because [REDACTED] was involved or believed to be involved in the BOBBY CARR killing several years ago in the East St. Louis area. During the conversation, one [REDACTED] enters the place and [REDACTED] goes into another long dissertation about [REDACTED] interference and how [REDACTED] told off [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] became very angry and claimed he was going to return with a search warrant. [REDACTED] then says, "Lock that door. He'll be here in about an hour - he'll be here with a search warrant - he didn't do nothing to me, but make me mad."

b7C

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

At about this time, another individual, believed to be MEL (BECKMAN) enters and [REDACTED] goes into a dissertation telling him the same story. [REDACTED] states, "I'd like to kill that man - I'd like to stomp him to death. (meaning [REDACTED]) BECKMAN makes a comment, "They ain't going to do you any favors." [REDACTED] and BECKMAN continue to talk about the State Police hating them and [REDACTED] being disliked personally by the Captain. BECKMAN then instructs [REDACTED] to call [REDACTED], and obtain a writ against the State Police and bring a suit against them in the event they try to come in and break down a door. b7C

At about this time the three individuals apparently in the place started moving all of the furniture out of one room and moving it into a back room. During this there is considerable activity, noise, swearing and cursing and observations are made that when the Captain comes back with a warrant, he'll find nothing in the card room and everything will be gone and after he breaks down the door, they'll file suit against the state.

At 11:42 PM, 3-1-62, two deputy sheriffs are in the room talking with [REDACTED] and BECKMAN. [REDACTED] are talking with [REDACTED] and MEL BECKMAN about the checking and threatened raid by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] states he knew that [REDACTED] was out checking and they stayed clear of the Pines during that evening. [REDACTED] told BECKMAN and [REDACTED] that they could close at 4:00 AM each night and reopen at 5:00 AM. [REDACTED] stated, "We're the guys thats getting the (obscene) heat for not coming in here." "That's what I told him - we get in twice on weekends when we don't have any trouble - we get in here when we're not busy." [REDACTED] then stated that they should let [REDACTED] in if he comes back, because "You ain't got nothing to be ashamed of now." It is noted that [REDACTED] was aware of the fact the furniture had been moved out of the gambling room just previously. b7C

[REDACTED] then tells the group that he feels [REDACTED] has a personal grudge against him and [REDACTED] stated, "We want to do what's right - we wouldn't be telling you this if we didn't know - let him do it a couple of times until he is satisfied." There is then talk about the State Police coming in and kicking the door down and getting a search warrant.

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

"I don't want to do nothing to embarrass you guys and those guys up there - we ain't going to do it."

"He's trying to bulldoze everybody in the county - he's listening to the (obscene) FBI. They run that office up there."

"You know this is putting us in a (obscene) spot because he is raising hell, how come you guys ain't checking that spot?" b7C

"They can make it rough."

BECKMAN then asked the deputies if they have a report and [REDACTED] replies, "Oh, yes."

"You know where all them calls are coming from, don't you - Centerville - they're trying to make (obscene) out of us, that's what they're trying to do."

There is then among the group discussion about some recent raids in East St. Louis a few days ago by the [REDACTED] political organization from the Centerville area. [REDACTED] in talking about [REDACTED] states, "He showed us letters he had - he showed us a stack of letters - the FBI's up there putting the pressure on". [REDACTED] then states he does not think [REDACTED] has a personal grudge against anyone and that "He knows how to operate - he ain't no (obscene) dummy." There is then conversation among the group concerning their knowledge of [REDACTED] and the fact that they have known him for sometime. b7C

At 11:52 PM, [REDACTED] leave and state, "We have some more joints to go to."

[REDACTED]

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

At about 1:45 AM, 3-2-62, several individuals are discussing the activity of the State Police the previous evening and comment that this activity will cut the business in half at the Pines Lounge. One of the individuals makes the comment that [REDACTED] had said that they couldn't get into any trouble in the East St. Louis area because they had all of the Justices of the Peace.

During the afternoon of 3-2-62, [REDACTED] and BECKMAN are talking about the Pines Lounge and obtaining a tavern license and the troubles they are having with [REDACTED] and the trouble that [REDACTED] had with [REDACTED] b7C

[REDACTED] and BECKMAN then have a discussion about the fact they weren't going to operate their card game because of the State Police and that if things kept on they would have to close the place. [REDACTED] commented, "We can't make any money without the game."

At about 10:22 PM, 3-2-62, [REDACTED] and an unknown woman are talking about the place and [REDACTED] makes the comment that as far as he is concerned they can stay open until they are raided. [REDACTED] again comments about the pressure from the FBI and the fact that the FBI was the one that who started all of the pressure and interest on the Pines activities. [REDACTED] said that maybe one individual could make a living out of the place, but there is no way in the world for three people to make a living out of the place unless they can have some gambling.

At 1:00 AM, 3-3-62, an unknown man believed to be MEL BECKMAN asked if "he" was going on a score with [REDACTED] (The answer was not legible.) b7C

BECKMAN:

"I trust the (obscene) but he says to me - [REDACTED] his friend. I wonder if this (obscene) if he's [REDACTED] friend too. He's liable to go tell [REDACTED] this (obscene) is going to hit you."

Unknown man:

"No, he'll go all the way."

[REDACTED] "No, no, no. (agreeing with the unknown man who is believed to be GEORGE "STORMY" HARVILL.)

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

[REDACTED] "No, I don't think he will either, but he was thinking that way about me the other night."

[REDACTED] "I was thinking the same way you think if your [REDACTED] friend... I'll tell him when he gets here." b7C

BECKMAN:

"We got all kind of (obs.) smarties."

HARVILL:

"You know that [REDACTED] snuck in here this morning. I got to fix the (Obs.) door. Snuck in here and got him a (obs.) on the couch and I never got none."

BECKMAN:

"You know this. I didn't say nothing in front of [REDACTED] You know the broad that gave them guys the statement, the State Police, the statement. It was [REDACTED] State Police in [REDACTED] last night with [REDACTED] She gave them a statement over that shooting out there. A SIGNED (obs.) statement. Remember when you asked me who the broad was I said I don't know. Now here the 'G' went to this cashier's house, at the Paddock, today and asked her, they must of took her number out here, they asked her about the [REDACTED]" b7C

[REDACTED] "You see she was (obs.) with this [REDACTED] bought her some clothes. [REDACTED] told me about it. I couldn't hear with that music going. [REDACTED] was over here to see her. A signed (obs.) statement."

"Was [REDACTED] ever mad, cause [REDACTED] went to the State Police instead of going to the Sheriff's Office and they (obs.) with [REDACTED] last night to. went out to his joint to."

[REDACTED] "Who, [REDACTED]"

BECKMAN:

"Yeh"

Then some conversation about article in the newspaper calling closing strip joints political. Mentioned Touchette name and that they were going to make it a political thing.

[REDACTED] believed to be [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

SI [REDACTED] 62 670

BECKMAN:

"I just know somethings got to happen to them guys". [REDACTED] b7c

HARVILL:

"Let me talk to you like this. I was talking to [REDACTED] with this tavern without this game, with this heat on." b7c

BECKMAN:

"We ain't taking five cents out of this game."

HARVILL:

"we got some money owed to us."

BECKMAN:

"We haven't got five cents. Yeah, but all the money we spent for everything."

HARVILL:

"Now wait a minute, MEL, we have, we've taken \$525 out of it plus that we paid off. We've taken more than that. We paid [REDACTED] six bits. We gave what's his name forty. That's about six and a half that we have taken out of the joint." b7c

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, but this is no money."

HARVILL:

"I got some more in my pocket."

BECKMAN:

"Break it down to what you got every week."

HARVILL:

"Now wait a minute, MEL."

BECKMAN:

"We ain't going todo it. I already showed it. Our business was bad the night before the state police started. I'll tell you what I hate to turn this (obs.) loose. I'll tell you one thing. I don't care how bad things are you can get even money out of this thing. I believe that if we talk to [REDACTED] about this." b7c

HARVILL:

"Yeah, we'll have to. Three of us ain't going to make it out of this bar. Like I told him, let me put it to you like this. You got three guys, the way business has been we might clear 100 a week. Say we clear 150 a week, but we got to pay this guy, we owe him, we got to pay him."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

BECKMAN:

"We don't have to pay him immediately. I could stretch that thing out with him as long as it has to be. That's no immediate problem."

[REDACTED] "But, I'd like to get it paid, MEL."

BECKMAN:

"I do to, because he didn't want to take any money until we got on our feet." (This refers to \$1,200 borrowed February, 1962 from [REDACTED]) b7C

[REDACTED] "If you make 150 a night, I doubt that you will."

BECKMAN:

"Let's say if we did. You realize this if we ain't got a thing going with this joint and you make 50 a piece a week, what better place would you want to contact than here. You're going to get propositioned and for different scores, different deals. Contact them. Where else can you do it, in a (obs.) lot where you get arrested sitting in a car."

HARVILL:

"Well, I don't care, if you want it that way, let's stay open 24 hours."

BECKMAN:

"You're going to be closed the first time you do it." (They then discussed closing hours, not able to read.)

BECKMAN:

[REDACTED] says he's full of (obs.) that you can be in here. There ain't no law like that. There's no (obs.) law that says, county law, that you can't open up before 12 o'clock on Sunday. 4-5 on Sunday. I just checked with Elmer. Elmer said that that is the (obs.) law. He says they cannot close you on Sunday. There is an ordinance in East St. Louis, but no law in the county so we're not hurting, anything if we close for 1 hour. We'll get a big sign painted and hang it on the door. 'Open at five with a light on it'. Let them (obs.) with that." b7C

HARVILL:

"You mean we're not breaking the (obs.) law."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

BECKMAN: "No, sir."

HARVILL: "You sure?"

BECKMAN: I'm positive. I checked with Elmer [REDACTED] I got to get a lawyer. [REDACTED] told us that day he called on the phone. b7c

[REDACTED] "How come no one knows it."

BECKMAN: "He said that when he raided this joint at nine in the morning 'I knew better than anybody. I knew I couldn't close it. I knew better than that because there's no (obs.) law.'"

HARVILL: "What joint."

BECKMAN: "This joint when raided when [REDACTED] had it, the day you was here."

Then talked about barmaid working at place and decided to get someone else.

HARVILL: "Why don't we try to get that blonde back?"

BECKMAN: "What did [REDACTED] tell you. Said her old man's a snitch on card games. Not this one. Guy told me he went all out at the testimony at coronor's inquest and tried to \_\_\_\_\_" (name unable to get) b7c

HARVILL: "I knew he was a phony."

Then discussed old man as being drunk and sues joints when he falls down, called today about a job for her and was to bar him out of the joint.

HARVILL: "Who's this [REDACTED] that comes down here. Said was good friend of yours."

Unknown woman talking about answer to give customers when they asked why the state police were around. She told to tell them that they were checking for stolen cars. Also discussion about 20 year old girl working at the place and they should let her go and talking about barmaids.

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

HARVILL: "Why don't we get [REDACTED] can tend bar."

BECKMAN: "She's working - she's coming in tonight."

[REDACTED] apparently mad at them for placing some cards around the Paddock.

Talking about [REDACTED] with regards to [REDACTED] being around. b7C

BECKMAN: [REDACTED] told me last night that he seen the sheet [REDACTED] gave the deputies, had on there Wm. BECKMAN, that's the same sheet [REDACTED] mentioned." [REDACTED]

Then discussed sheet with names MEL and [REDACTED] mixed up for BECKMAN, STORMY [REDACTED] as being undesirables.

BECKMAN: "That's when [REDACTED] says let's go down and raid the Paddock. Same guys go down there - Worse-Buster is in there himself."

HARVILL: "Them there are all undesirables, including [REDACTED] (Laughter)"

BECKMAN: [REDACTED] laughed when he read this report."

HARVILL: "Who wrote the report up."

BECKMAN: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] "What do you mean he laughed?" b7C

BECKMAN: "He laughed the way we (obs.) him. He will probably get the last laugh. He's got to be, he's a winner, he's in the driver's seat."

1:20 AM. 3-3-62, [REDACTED] MEL BECKMAN, [REDACTED] and STORMY HARVILL present.

HARVILL: "I hope I don't have to get in my trunk, I lost my key."

BECKMAN: "We got to shoot this (obs.) with a shotgun, he can't live two seconds."

b2 b7D  
SI [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] ".45, use a .45, it's a lot easier."

BECKMAN: "Don't shoot him with a .45."

HARVILL: "Why not:."

BECKMAN: "Cause they can collect the slug. None of these (obs.) guys all of these (obs.) guys in these outfits kill with .45's. Them guys in Chicago."

HARVILL: "What shall we hit him with a .22". (Others laughed at him for saying .22.)

HARVILL: "Everything I say this (obs.) has got a different answer."

BECKMAN: "I know this (obs.) thing, there is 17 guys that got killed, don't you read the (obs.) newspaper. They never attributed one to their outfit and they killed every (obs.) one of them. They strangled them, stabbed them, every (obs.) thing, shot them with a .22. This big dog (obs.) [REDACTED] he's pure dog (obs.) dog." b7c

HARVILL: "That's true, but he is going to fight for his life. We got a (obs.) a bigger dog than him and he fought like a (obs.) didn't he?" (This may refer to killing BOBBY CARR, a St. Louis hoodlum - killed in 1955.)

BECKMAN: "This guy's not going to fight like that."

HARVILL: "(Obs.) he won't."

BECKMAN: "He will stand there and try to con you - he'll say why do you want to kill me, I got all them (obs.) babies."

HARVILL: "I tell you when he knows he's going, he's going to fight. You're going to have to shoot this (obs.) that's the only way you're going to get him."

BECKMAN: "You know every time them guys in St. Louis, you don't see that whenever somebody gets hit mysteriously, they take them, you don't see no big caliber (obs.) gun."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

"What the (obs.) a lot of people have a (obs.) for him. There's so many people in the outfit that's never had nothing to do with him."

BECKMAN:

"Nothing - but good".

"People are mad at him, but he doesn't give a (obs.). I'm (unable to make out) to the deal anyhow." b7c

"Sure".

BECKMAN:

"Will that (obs.) be a real mess."

[REDACTED] or  
HARVILL:

"There is only one way you can do this. Some morning when he sees me and [REDACTED] together. If you can get him in the car and talk business or something he'll feel secure. If he has his own car he will drive. He is doing the driving, [REDACTED] in back and I'm sitting in front. So we're riding along and I'm waiting. When he puts that (obs.) gun up there and blows his head off all I got to do is reach over, grab the wheel, turn the key off, pull it over and park it, that's it. We're going to have to drive his car back to some place."

Then there is some talk about two cars, not all of this is clear.

[REDACTED] "It ain't going to work with two men in a car following him." b7c

BECKMAN:

"Wherever the spot you are going to, you put one car and meet him in the other car, and leave it there."

BECKMAN:

"This is the spot you're going to do something or whatever you decide. You don't want to be close up. You've got to shoot. You can't shoot from nearby, in the (obs.) head. That slug is liable to curve and hit you. You've got to shoot him right here. Then he can't (obs.) around any more. He's got to put it up there and blast right now."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

HARVILL:

"Just like he's sitting here, I'm sitting here and [REDACTED] sitting here. He's got to go right here and blow the [REDACTED] (cannot read other word.) When that (obs.) goes off, I'll grab the (obs.) thing."

BECKMAN:

"One bang. I don't give a (obs.) if it don't kill him, it will flatten him." b7C

Low short conversation, unable to read.

[REDACTED] "That's the only way to do it,-- you're car or someone's car."

BECKMAN:

"You've got two cars. You get where you're going to do it don't hesitate. [REDACTED] won't hesitate, the one that's sitting by him, like you." (a few words unable to read) "Cause they won't find the (obs.) car."

HARVILL:

"You're going to have to leave him in the car."

BECKMAN:

"But that means he's been shot in that (obs.) car. But if he's reported to of left in the car then they'll know that at this time, so it has to be. Wherever the car stops. Wherever the spot is you've got to cough and cock the pistol."

[REDACTED] "You can't hear 'em."

HARVILL:

"If you can get this [REDACTED] standing there and [REDACTED] b7C

BECKMAN:

"Ever hear of the guy I shot in the (obs.) car 8 times in the (obs.) head and he jumped out and run. B [REDACTED] d run 25 feet, fell down. I had to back up in his car, had to back up and I took the other guy's pistol and hit him three more (obs.) times. The windows were going out of his (obs.) car and everything and he was getting out. We had to back up, had to jump out of the car. We had our car a block away. We cut right through a gangway. Nobody seen us, but they heard us run through the gangway. But now that's a freakish thing."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

Someone inquired about above, could not read all.

BECKMAN: "That (obs.) hit the dashboard, went all the way through, hit the (obs.) windshield and every - thing."

HARVILL: "You can shoot him this way. Cause you could shoot the (obs.) and the bullet will come out."

BECKMAN: "But it won't." (Few words unable to read)

(Identity above shooting by BECKMAN unknown.)

BECKMAN: "You cut all those veins in the throat. blood will be gushing out so fast it will choak him."

Then talking about the bullet hitting the bone, being unable to read.

BECKMAN: "Bullet go right through the (obs.) bone. (Obs.) .38 automatic will go right through a telephone book."

HARVILL: "Sure .!"

BECKMAN: "It will go, to bad it's lead. The only (obs.) thing it;s lead. When that hits, it scatters like (obs.) buckshot. Tears every (obs.) thing."

[REDACTED] b7c  
"How will we get this guy?"

HARVILL: "We've got to lead him away. See that will be simple. [REDACTED] the guy because he can call him anytime. He's sitting there waiting for us when we pull up. Just walk up to him, both of us got a gun." b7c

BECKMAN: "That's another thing, they done that before. You've got to be side by side or you'll shoot one another. Those things bounce off the ground. You got to be side by side. First you got to know where you're going to do it, then you figure how you're going to do it. I don't believe you got to shoot much."

HARVILL: (Said something about him walking up to them, can't read.)

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

BECKMAN: "If he walks up to us and there's only one place to hit him, dead in the (obs.) chest. Get him down."

HARVILL: "If you had a way you could meet him and be waiting there when he pulled up and when he gets out of the car, lay it into him."

BECKMAN: "There's a lot of ways you can get him."

Someone said, "Why can't they poison the (obs.)"

[REDACTED] "If you could get something you couldn't taste in a drink or something like that."

BECKMAN: "Stricknine."

HARVILL: "Isn't that the stuff they used on LUCIANO (phonetic), LUCKY LUCIANO, they poisoned him, didn't they?"

[REDACTED] "I don't know, I just know he died."

BECKMAN: "Yeah, poisoned. There's all kinds of ways to do away with the (obs.). You can go out with him." Some words unable to make out. Mentioned there's a lot of people Saturday night.

[REDACTED]  
then MEL broke in and changed the conversation.

BECKMAN: "Oh, look here's something I want to tell you guys. This will probably complicate matters. We can't leave that guy lay until after they get sentenced. In other words, if we do it between now and the time they get sentenced we've got to hide him somewhere till, (two words cannot read.) See and then we ain't got no dead cinch. SHENKER is liable to go in there and ask for more time you know." (Refers to fact FRANK WORTMAN and ELMER DOWLING convicted on tax charges, East St. Louis, 2-26-62. SHENKER is their attorney.)

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

Someone Said: "Does he call you on the phone all the time."

[REDACTED] "When does he have to go to court."

BECKMAN: "He probably won't have to go for a while."

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
BECKMAN: "Where's he getting his money."

HARVILL: "He ain't going to be easy to get to."

[REDACTED] "No. He won't (obs.) around, I don't think downtown."

HARVILL: "He would be easy to get to if you hit him and leave him lay."

[REDACTED] "Yeah, that would be hard enough hitting him."

[REDACTED] "But carrying that (obs.) somewhere after you hit him, that'll be tough. What the (obs.) you going to do with the guy. You could put him or leave him in the car somewhere, but they're going to find him."

[REDACTED] "I drove out to that joint the other night and got lost."

HARVILL: "Yeah, that's a bad spot. Yeah, you can tell- this guy tells his wife every time he leaves the house."

[REDACTED] "If I was to call and say meet me, he will. He'd say I got to go meet [REDACTED]" b7c

HARVILL: "He will."

[REDACTED] "Yeah, but there's too many times (unable to read rest of sentence.)"

HARVILL: "I know it. Yeah, if it wasn't for that you could have him meet you at such and such a place and when he comes up, just blow the (obs.) out of him, you know. (Obs.) he tells his old lady everyplace he goes."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

"He would come out for you and me, either one of us, I know that. I think he would for me."

HARVILL:

"Yeah, he would, he would come for me."

(Unable to read. Someone mentions about whether he will come out.)

BECKMAN:

"He talked about this and he don't think he'll get in the car if you and STORMY are in there." b7C

BECKMAN:

"I said (obs.) I knew he wouldn't."

[REDACTED] "He would get in the car with me or he would get in the car with you, but he won't get in the car with both of us together, because he'd be suspicious. There's no connection for us. He's going to start thinking. What are you guys doing together."

BECKMAN:

"The only thing we got to do is get together. I'm going to have to talk to them again. Persuade him someway that he don't know about it. When he drives up, hell, I'll just pull up and come on over and get in my car. When he walks up to the car, drop him. We'll get him in time I know."

[REDACTED] "He's going to start running around."

HARVILL:

"He will be a cinch. Even, probably tomorrow night we could get the guy." b7C

BECKMAN:

"Now all we got to do is look for him and find him, wait until he comes out of a joint, and hit him. I suggest you hit him and leave him lay."

(It is noted JOHN STENGELE, coin machine operator, killed in this way in East St. Louis, October 24, 1961, by a shotgun.)

HARVILL:

"You can't pick him up and carry him away."

[REDACTED] "Poison the (obs.)."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

BECKMAN: "It don't matter how you do it as long as its done."

HARVILL: "We can't get him at his home."

BECKMAN: "He drinks every (obs.) night. (Then talk about putting something in the drink and someone said it would be hard to do as the bartender might get wise.)"

BECKMAN: "We could invite him out to a card game with a couple of guys. Couple guys playing cards and we could all have a drink. If we could have a game here. How the hell you going to get him down here."

HARVILL: [REDACTED] could get him here." b7C

BECKMAN: "Get him in here, then we could put that wire on his (obs.) and drag him through the window and you could plant him."

HARVILL: "You'd have to hit him with a sledge hammer in here, cause you'd have to hit him the first time, cause they could hear the scuffle out there."

[REDACTED] "How about an ice pick?" b7C

BECKMAN: "I know some guys that got in a big (obs.) ruckus."

HARVILL: "You know the guys?"

BECKMAN: "Yeah, but they gave him the ice pick first." (Few words cannot read.)

HARVILL: "What did they do, where did they hit him."

BECKMAN: "Behind the neck with it. I don't know, in the back, bled like he had 20,000 (obs.) holes in him."

[REDACTED] "Paralyzed him." b7C

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

BECKMAN:

"That (obs.) guy that had the one ten, what the (obs.) was his name, [REDACTED] they had down at [REDACTED] (phonetic), what the (obs.) was his name." b7c

HARVILL:

"What the (obs.) was his name"

BECKMAN:

"He had a funny name. I don't know the guy, they caught him." (Two words can't make out.)

[REDACTED] "He told me today, the reason I don't come around the place anymore, cause I don't want to put no heat on us or nothing."

(Few words can't make out.)

[REDACTED] "He won't come in here."

[REDACTED] "He'll go to [REDACTED] I was surprised he told me. He said about a week before." (Few words unable to read and several talk together.) b7c

BECKMAN:

"You know [REDACTED] don't like him now."

(Several talking at once for a few sentences, can't read.)

HARVILL:

"It don't go no farther than here."

[REDACTED] "Heah, he told me, like he was doing me a favor. Heh, I seen your buddy in here with [REDACTED]"

BECKMAN:

"Come here now. Listen, this morning this guy should get it cause he will be out. Now we could wait on him. See he might come out of [REDACTED] and you could drop him there." b7c

[REDACTED] "No, don't do that. Not [REDACTED]"

HARVILL:

"Well, any place."

BECKMAN:

"That poor (obs.) is in there."

HARVILL:

"There are 2 or 3 places we could drop him. He might come out of the 88 club and we could drop him there. You'll have to leave him lay. You can't pick the (obs.) up."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

[REDACTED] "Where does he take [REDACTED] to (obs.) her at." b7C

HARVILL:

"Out to a motel."

[REDACTED] "You know people have habits, you know he'll generally go to the same motel all the time."

[REDACTED] "He usually goes to the French Village Motel. Sure, but you know where you're at then. You're a city block from the (obs.) highway patrol at French Village, one city block." b7C

[REDACTED] "His house is no good, that's no good."

BECKMAN:

"It would be good if it wasn't for that (obs.) dog."

HARVILL:

Nobody has ever fed Trixie, that little bitch will bark so it will be heard a mile away. Hell of a watch dog."

[REDACTED] "I figure if this [REDACTED] around he'll play around."

Someone said: "Yeah."

[REDACTED] "He likes her."

[REDACTED] "I was really surprised, the guy told me. He said I just seen your landlord over there with [REDACTED] I said, what. He said, you know [REDACTED] as in here and just left me. Why the (obs.) He didn't stop at the Paddock. How the (obs.) did I know you was in the Paddock. I went home." b7C

[REDACTED]

HARVILL:

"He was bumming in a perfect (obs.) spot. He was bumming once in a while when this other gal was in town, they would go in this Street Car Inn, down here"

SI [REDACTED]

b2 b7D  
"Where?"

HARVILL:

"Right across from the Show Club. That little old bitty Street Car Inn."

"How would you get him there."

HARVILL:

"(obs.) you could park right there. When he comes out there, just blow him, but you got to leave him lay, anyway you do it you got to leave him lay." b7C

"You can't hit him then with no pistol there. Where's that place he used to bum out. On bunker hill or road. What's that place. He used to bum out there some." (Name of a place mentioned.)  
"No, no remember the guy that was partners with him near Collinsville."

Someone else said something.

"Yeah, [REDACTED], that place."

HARVILL:

"He don't bum there no more, unless he's starting to now. He hasn't been in there in a long time."

BECKMAN:

"I don't think he's been out much."

"He'll play with [REDACTED] around" b7C

BECKMAN:

"You guys better forget about that pistol with this here guy. You ain't going to get that close to him. You better get a (obs.) shotgun."

HARVILL:

"The way you do it is to get him in the car together."

BECKMAN:

"That's the only way to use a pistol on him. Now let me tell you about it."

HARVILL:

"Use a shotgun with some double O."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

BECKMAN:

"He's a big fat (obs.). Now he'll take a couple of them slugs and still run, unless you get him in the head." (STENGELE was shot in head and back.)

HARVILL:

"Yeah. (rest of sentence can't make out.)

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, you got to get in close with that pistol. I mean it, you hit him in the head, he's stopped. He can take them (obs.) slugs. They might kill him later on."

HARVILL:

"He'll run, he'll run on you and if he's going down, he'll fight. I think he'll fight."

BECKMAN:

"Oh, yeah sure he'll run. He'll tell you about his wife and babies." (Few words unable to make out.) "If he's got that signal money with him, he won't be no trouble."

HARVILL:

"Anytime, he gets a hold of you, he'll fight. I'll bet my life on it. When he thinks you're going to kill him, course if he can't reach out and get ahold of you, if you stand back, that's different. But if he thinks he's got a chance of getting a hold of you, he'll fight. He'll try to get that thing away from you. See it's got to be done with surprise."

BECKMAN:

"Oh, sure, element of surprise is the best of anything. You got to surprise him. He's got to get his shots in."

[REDACTED] "Some of the bravest guys in the world are afraid when they are surprised. How would you like to walk in your house some night and turn the light on and there's two big (obs.) there with stockings over their heads." (Few words can't make out.)

BECKMAN:

"The first reaction is (someone interrupts him.) b7C

HARVILL:

"You know what, [REDACTED] had an idea, he says get him in his car. Have a car parked some place. Both of you get him in a car and you would be sitting in the back seat, if he's driving."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

[REDACTED] "I'll go for that."

Someone says: "I'll do it."

HARVILL: "When you hit him, I'll grab the wheel, that's all." (Sentence or two that unable to make out.) b7C

BECKMAN: "Only thing is if it comes down to using a shotgun you're going to have to use it cause he never did use one."

[REDACTED] "That's the truth. I wouldn't lie to you. I used a shotgun to (obs.) when I was a kid, but that's the last time I used a shotgun."

HARVILL: "But here is the thing, this guy" - interrupted by MEL.

BECKMAN: "Here's the perfect way to do it, if we could do it. If we would get him in his car and be riding with him, you in the back, get in the back seat, which naturally he and I'll sit in the front and we're going along talking about some kind of business and just all of a sudden you reach up there and hit him, you know."

HARVILL: "Yeah."

BECKMAN: "But be sure you hit him from this side, so that (obs.) bullet won't ricochet some way and hit me, you know."

[REDACTED] "Hit him right in the back of the head and it will go right through the window." b7C

BECKMAN: "No, no, it won't. No, hit him on the side of the head so it will go out the side of the car the opposite way from where I sit. As soon as you hit him I'll grab the (obs.) wheel and stop the (obs.) car, you know. Right away turn the key off, cause we got to get (few words unable to read) Cause see his foot is (unable to read). "When you hit him the first reaction is to hit the accelerator."

HARVILL: "I'll just kick his foot off and turn the key off. Where you going to have your car sitting?"

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

BECKMAN:

"You got to have your car there, both cars. (Obs.) blood will be all over the (obs.) windshield."

HARVILL:

Something to effect should get that tire. b7C

[REDACTED] "Oh, that's easy. (rest of sentence can't read)  
"That was my idea, if it was a good spot, I was going to puncture his front tire on the opposite side he gets in, so he don't notice it when he gets in the car. He sitting there, he's a gone (obs.). He's just sitting there behind that steering wheel, it goes down. Why just open the door and give it to him 3 or 4 times in the head, he can't drive away. The back tires he'll try to get away on you. The front tires he's a gone (obs.) cause he can't do it, can't go. Go around the back and hit him a couple in the back of the head and open the door and give him a couple more, cause if he ain't dead, WHEW, if he ain't dead."

BECKMAN:

"We got to be sure he's dead. We can't leave him."

[REDACTED] "Oh, yeah, would he sing (obs.) (obs.)

BECKMAN:

"Remember one thing, always one thing, that (obs.) neck is the vital spot." b7C

[REDACTED] "MEL, I hit a guy in the neck one time, went right through his (obs.) neck and didn't do a (obs.) thing to him."

BECKMAN:

"You got to hit a certain spot in that neck, I'm telling you. (Then says something about hitting him with a pistol in the neck.) (can't read it.)

HARVILL:

"When you hit him, I'll guarantee you, when you hit him I'm going to reach over with mine and put it right in his (obs.) mouth."

They all talk at once and can't make out.

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

[REDACTED] "You got two cords going up through your neck, your windpipe and your other thing and if you don't hit them, you ain't hit anything."

BECKMAN:

"I'm a firm believer about that neck, I don't know about a pistol."

[REDACTED] "You hit him in the head a couple of times with that pistol." b7C

BECKMAN:

"I wouldn't be a bit surprised if he ain't out right now somewhere (obs.) around."

[REDACTED] "Well, he ain't going to stay home on a Friday or Saturday night."

BECKMAN:

"No, he's out, but where is he."

[REDACTED] "He ain't going to bum downtown."

BECKMAN:

"I don't think he'll (obs.) around downtown."

[REDACTED] "I wouldn't be surprised if he's at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] hasn't got any use for him. He was bragging out there about all the money [REDACTED] made you know."

BECKMAN:

"If he's out cabaretting, he might get drunk. Anytime a (obs.) is drunk, he's careless."

HARVILL:

"If you guys need some time, [REDACTED] will do it for you." b7C

BECKMAN:

"That's right. That's the reason I suggested [REDACTED] Now you guys listen to what we're telling you."

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] is going to do a lot of things for me."

(All talk together and can't read.)

BECKMAN:

"You know what I'd do. [REDACTED] is one of the guys that I would trust most in this (obs.) world."

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

[REDACTED] "I'd go along, but the less that knows it." b7C

BECKMAN:

"The less knows it, the better, but if it comes down to it." - interrupted by HARVILL.

HARVILL:

"I don't want nobody but what's in this room to know."

BECKMAN:

"If it comes down to it." - interrupted by HARVILL.

HARVILL:

"I know that. (obs.) does get out."

BECKMAN:

"What you can do with him." (Unable to get all of sentence.)

HARVILL:

"It's not that I don't trust [REDACTED]"

BECKMAN:

"You can hit that (obs.) over the head with a hammer and take him anywhere you want."

HARVILL:

"I don't want no more poeple to know it. I don't. I just don't believe in too many guys, there's enough right here that knows we're going to do it." b7C

BECKMAN:

"Oh, I go along with you 100 per cent on that. I mean I wouldn't go to [REDACTED]"

HARVILL:

"I don't want no other (obs.) to know it."

BECKMAN:

"He could do a lot of things for you."

HARVILL;

"Oh, yeah, he would, but there is other ways of doing it."

[REDACTED] "Yeah, but four in the morning there's nobody in there, the waitress is gone."

BECKMAN:

"Now you're telling me that; are you telling me that, that he ain't going to let you do that. Well, I'm telling you, you don't know what you're talking about. You believe what I'm telling you. Everybody tell him right." (can't make out)

SI [REDACTED] b2 b7D

[REDACTED] "Unless you haul him out and bring him someplace, he might go along with that." b7C

BECKMAN:

"Oh, you can't leave him the (obs.) joint, no. At 4 or 5 in the morning, when that waitress is gone. Nobody in there, you can do anything, you want to him in there. Any (obs.) thing. You could take him out and then hit him." (Next sentence can't understand). "Now I know what I'm talking about."

Man knocked at door and conversation interrupted for short time.

BECKMAN:

"He don't go for that proposition with [REDACTED] What do you think, STORMY?"

HARVILL:

"You can do what you want to at [REDACTED] whatever you want to do at [REDACTED] is all right with me." b7C

BECKMAN:

"Here now, you can't shoot this guy in there, if one of them ricochet and knock that guy's (obs.) mirror you got him in trouble, he'll get questioned on that."

HARVILL:

"You can stand up and hit him in the head with a hammer, right here."

[REDACTED] "Hit him with a hammer and carry him out of there." b7C

BECKMAN:

"And when you get him to the car, crack him there."

Talk about hitting him with a ballpeen hammer and then someone said, "He ain't going nowhere. He's going down, then put him in the car."

BECKMAN:

"Hit him with a six pound ballpeen. You can swing that pretty good. He ain't going no where. He's going down, then put him in the car."

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[REDACTED] mentioned he would be bumming somewhere, possibly the 88 club. b7C

[REDACTED] "He'll be all over."

BECKMAN:

"Let me find out if its all right to let him lay. But at this time I don't think they'll want it that way. Now if he gets mad, now you'll have to shoot that (obs.). Now he would rather have the guy in Madison." (Apparently refers to clearance with WORTMAN and DOWLING.)

HARVILL:

"It really won't be too hard to do, but you have to carry him away, it's going to be hard to get it."

BECKMAN:

"But if you got to take him on the fly, don't (obs.) with them pistols. A shotgun, cause you can hit him in the leg and bring him down and you're just liable to shoot at him with a pistol all day long. Once you start shooting with a pistol." - interrupted by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] "Two guys shot at me 14 times and hit me in the (obs.) once. When you're running after him, you're off balance and you're about to pull that trigger, you're about to take a step again."

[REDACTED] "(Obs.) I know a (Obs.) [REDACTED] that run with six bullets in him and the (obs.) got away."

HARVILL:

"Well, me and you, [REDACTED] we ought to be able to get close to the (obs.)." b7C

[REDACTED] "Yeah, I ain't worried about getting close to him, but getting close to him at the right time."

[REDACTED] "Yeah, he wants me to help him, he has called me twice. Me and STORMY couldn't get close to him, I didn't know he was in trouble. I get a phone call from [REDACTED] I didn't know he was in trouble. She said, how are you, did you hear about [REDACTED] I said no, what happened to him. She'll get suspicious if she sees you and I together."

HARVILL:

"Then she'll want to know why, right now."

Two or three of them talking at the same time, can't make out.

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BECKMAN:

"If he wouldn't tell [REDACTED] everywhere he goes it would be a cinch."

[REDACTED] "Yeah, STORMY, you could call him and say, meet me I want to talk to you and say, lets go by and get [REDACTED] I forgot to tell him something important I want him to know it. I'll be right with you see. Now you pull up and get in the (obs.) car with us." b7C

Someone disagrees.

HARVILL:

"Yeah, that's the thing - he tells [REDACTED] everywhere he goes."

BECKMAN:

"Now, if it just has to be, one of them guys come Chicago . . . They can pinch him, the FBI, just pinch him."

[REDACTED] "They had one down, MEL. I don't know who might know him."

BECKMAN:

"Now he would go get him and put him in the (obs.) car for you and would be driving?"

HARVILL:

"Now it won't be too hard, it will be hard, but it won't be too awful hard to get him, if he's not with his wife. But when you got to be sure that he'll be put somewhere, we're going to have a hard time getting this (obs.) . It's going to be hard. We're going to have to do a lot of (obs.) planning." b7C

[REDACTED] "To get this (obs.) where you can put him in the car and drive him away."

BECKMAN:

"Well, even though you got him to get rid of, you got his car too. Now you can hit him and leave him lay there, it can be done cause he's out every (Obs.) night. You can walk up on him and just give it to him. You can't do it with no (obs.) Pistol. When you're going like that, you've got to hit that (obs.) good, cause if he sees either one of you." [REDACTED] cuts in.

[REDACTED] "Oh, he knows I don't caberette. He knows I don't bum around at night."

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HARVILL:

"He knows that you don't bum with me."

[REDACTED] "No."

HARVILL:

"He's going to get suspicious if he sees us together."

BECKMAN:

"If we can't seem to get him out, shoot him through a (obs.) window anyway."

[REDACTED] "If you had an idea like I did out there, would you let him get in the car and when he sits behind that wheel, he can't go away. Go right up and sneak behind the car and go bang bang, just open the door and be sure." b1C

[REDACTED] "Yeah, but you got to leave him lay when you do that."

[REDACTED] "See like if you could get him to [REDACTED] you could do that. Shoot his tires in front from the opposite side he gets in. When he gets in to start the car, just walk up and pour it on him."

HARVILL:

"When he sees you coming he'll say, 'How do you do.'"

[REDACTED] "Yeah, he may open the window and talk to you. I can walk up and he'll start talking to me."

HARVILL:

"He knows you go to [REDACTED] see."

[REDACTED] "Well, I ain't been there since he reopened, but I been there before. A couple of years ago, before they had the crap game out there. He knows I came out there before."

HARVILL:

"He's been bumming in and out of there for about a month."

BECKMAN:

"He ain't going to come (obs.) around downtown. Where can he go to the '88'?"

HARVILL:

"He goes there cause he can't go anyplace else. He can't to across the street over here anymore. He can't go to the Paddock, he can't come in here."

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[REDACTED] does he stay open real late at night.  
He's got the 1958 Olds, right."

HARVILL:

"55 blue and white, Yeah, he sold the other car, the Chev."

"What did he get out of that."

BECKMAN:

"I don't know if the guy even sold it yet." b7C

"He called here today and kept blabbering on and on and I told him and he kept talking on and on and he heard about this (obs.) last night. He wanted to keep talking. I told him [REDACTED] am busy, why don't you call me later. I got a lot of business-people coming in and stuff."

"He'll call you from home, he won't call you from anyplace else."

Comment about [REDACTED] dislike for SA [REDACTED]  
Springfield Office.

HARVILL:

"We had the perfect (obs.) setup a couple of months ago, when he was at the Show Club. Could of got him right there and carried him away. But we didn't know the (obs.) bum." (Then [REDACTED] cut in.)

"Was he tending bar in there."

HARVILL:

"He was running it for us. Nobody in there but us. We could of let him have it, put him right in the car and took him away."

BECKMAN:

"But we didn't know it at that time. I was just thinking, I bet that [REDACTED] went to the store and bought a jar of Vaseline, that big." (Laughter)  
"Well, how many charges has he got."

HARVILL:

"Three." b7C

"The way I understand it, Springfield, Edwardsville, and Effingham. See I didn't know nothing about it. She called on the phone. Oh, oh something wrong when she calls me. She said did you hear about [REDACTED] I said no, what happened to him. She said, well they got him up in Effingham. Next time she called she said they had him in Springfield. He called me after he got back and said, do you know a lawyer in Springfield. I said Yeah. He said, 'I'd like to get that lawyer.' I said OK, I'll recommend you."

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BECKMAN:

"You got to watch him if you get him in the car and go out someplace. You're going to have to wipe the prints off. Listen, don't rely on wiping nothing. Wear gloves. Cause you'd be surprised at the things you touch. You've got to wear (obs.) gloves."

HARVILL:

"Yeah, but I've went hunting in that (obs.) car. I've done everything in that (obs.) car."

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, but they can tell if them are fresh prints. It just makes it more binding, they can't do nothing about it."

[REDACTED] "How can they tell a fresh print from an old print?"

BECKMAN:

"By the dust."

[REDACTED] "Now, if he starts going in [REDACTED] with that broad, he'll probably be there tonight."

HARVILL:

"Oh, if she was still living over there where she was. Oh, what a (obs.) spot."

[REDACTED] "She moved."

BECKMAN:

"What a (obs.) spot. She lived over here at a spot. You could knock him off so easy and go right on. Perfect spot, a house back behind a house on a real dark (obs.) street in Washington Park. About 3 or 4 streets off the main drag. What a (obs.) place." b7C

[REDACTED] "She don't live over here anymore, does she?"

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, but he ain't going to St. Louis."

HARVILL:

"Naw, he'll never go over there. He's scared to death to go over there."

[REDACTED] "But if he's out, I'll go along with [REDACTED] tonight or tomorrow night. I'll bet we can pick him right out at [REDACTED] Run out and see if his car's out there. I'll bet you find his car out there."

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HARVILL:

"He's out somewhere. Either the 88, out there or somewhere else."

[REDACTED] "See, I haven't been around him enough lately to know where else he's going. See I've been staying away from him."

[REDACTED] "You can eliminate downtown. There are a few spots he may go to, there ain't three or maybe four spots all around here, is about all he'll go to."

BECKMAN:

"Let me find out tomorrow, just how. Then you'll know which way to do it, how to go about it." b7C

(Clearance with WORTMAN and DOWLING.)

[REDACTED] "To bury him, you got to have him in a good spot to get him. If you just want to hit him and leave him lay, it would be easy."

BECKMAN:

"That ain't no problem."

[REDACTED] " [REDACTED] would be a good spot to hit him and leave him lay, but then you're going to put him out of business. He's got a lot of heat anyway."

[REDACTED] "88 club would be a hell of a spot to leave somebody."

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, but they got a nigger outside and a nigger on the lot."

HARVILL:

"Have they?"

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, they been watching that pretty close. You got to pick your spot, since they (obs.) up that highway. Cause that's a little tough there. You go the wrong way, (obs), you got a long way to go towards Granite City, you'd be caught going that way, they would see your car."

HARVILL:

"Only chance you got, to get back to East St. Louis."

[REDACTED] "Only way you could go." b7C

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HARVILL:

"Go right on into town."

[REDACTED] "Head for the river or bridge."

BECKMAN:

"You got to get rid of your pistols right away."

[REDACTED] "They stop you they got nothing on you in the car."

BECKMAN:

"That's right. The best way is to put them in the (obs.) river, but if you can't get to the river, in the sewer, because if the sewer ain't deep enough you can always go get them out. That (obs.) motel out there is real bad." b7C

[REDACTED] "I drove out Bond Avenue, all the way down. The place, as you drive in, this way, it's the third one. Was it the third one, [REDACTED] on the left?"

[REDACTED] "I think it's the third one on the left. It's kind of a greenish blue."

[REDACTED] "I didn't drive in."

HARVILL:

"You want to take a ride out there, MEL."

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, I just want to see if there is another car out there."

Someone came to the room and said that "drunken guy wants you out there."

[REDACTED] "I'll be out in a little while."

[REDACTED] "Who is it?"

[REDACTED] or whatever his name is." b7C

[REDACTED] "You know him."

[REDACTED] "No, I don't know him. I heard of him, he used to be around the Tradewinds a lot."

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outside.

State Police apparently checking license numbers

BECKMAN:

"Those (obs.) might be standing out there listening. We should have a (obs.) radio in here playing."

Beckman and [REDACTED] leave.

Conversation about State Police checking the tavern. [REDACTED] and HARVILL talking about fishing. Then BECKMAN and [REDACTED] returned at 2:20 AM, 3-3-62. b7C

[REDACTED] "House was dark, but the outside lights were on, one over the door, one in his yard." [REDACTED] residence.)

HARVILL:

"Wonder if he's going to leave them lit all the time. He's expecting us. He's scared. Did he ever leave them on before."

[REDACTED] "I never did know him too."

HARVILL:

"Did he ever go down to [REDACTED] and try to get the money?" [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] "He got it straightened out somewhere. He got some money. He got the money someplace. He told me today, on the phone, he paid that bondsman \$1,000."

HARVILL:

"What kind of bond is he on, \$25,000?" b7C

["\$45,000, him and [REDACTED]

BECKMAN:

"He gave the bondsman \$1,000. The bond cost more than he made."

[REDACTED] Discusses stealing TVs and says "Why no man in his right mind would go out and steal used television sets, when he could get a truck and go to one place and get a whole load of new ones, get 100 televisions."

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Again talk about State Police taking license numbers and talking about an old Pontiac parked in front of the Pines, belonging to [REDACTED] as car had been parked there for sometime. [REDACTED]

HARVILL:

"Not much we can do tonight."

BECKMAN:

"He's home [REDACTED] both cars are there. Light up over front door."

[REDACTED] "They keep them lit" and talk about [REDACTED] cause being all lit up. b7C

[REDACTED] "(Obs.) right he's scared. He thinks we'll hit him in a (obs.) minute. No chance of getting him in the car tonight." Then talk about [REDACTED] [REDACTED] t make it all out.

[REDACTED] "It's OK to leave him lay, just leave him lay by [REDACTED] or any (obs.) place."

MEL:

"We can get a favor off him [REDACTED] I wouldn't do it there. You know BUSS ("BUSTER" WORTMAN) likes him, they have done favors for one another. If he says we can leave him lay, we'll kill him, we'll find a place to hit him. It won't be too convenient, it will still be hard, but it won't be near as hard. We can do it. I'm telling you it's going to be a near impossibility to get that (obs.) and bury him."

[REDACTED] "Yeah, you can't hide him, where the (obs.) you going to put him. You got to ride him around for an hour looking for a place or have a place you're going to do it, then like you say, drive him there. But he's going to want to know where he's going." b7C

[REDACTED] "He's going to be a little cagey."

[REDACTED] "Especially if you and I are together, [REDACTED] Cause he figures we're friends and know each other, but he doesn't figure us to be together."

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"No, there is no connection there."

HARVILL:

"He's going to hurt a lot of (obs.) people."

BECKMAN:

"But if you can just walk up on him and if you can leave him lay. You can just walk up on him and say, who the (obs.) you think I run into." b7C

Two or three talk at once and cannot read a few sentences.

[REDACTED] "Walk up to him and stand along side of him and we'll be shooting."

BECKMAN:

"If they say drop him, he won't be hard to kill, not that way."

HARVILL:

"He'll be easy to leave him. Just leave him, he'll be easy."

BECKMAN:

"Just leave him that old (obs.) of just carrying him around and hiding him, that (obs.) is rough."

[REDACTED] "Hiding him in his car, hiding in the back seat, that's not going to be easy. I know a guy that was hiding in the back seat and it was dark. They never did see him, you know what gave him away, the dogs. A guy came out with his dogs and the dogs gave the guy away. You get the guy in the back seat and he is liable to wind up getting killed. Sure they got him about 10 days later."

HARVILL:

"Oh, yeah, I remember that."

[REDACTED] "Yeah, it was a friend, I knew the guy." b7C

[REDACTED] "They went out to hit this guy and he was in the house and he came out of his house with a dog. He was hiding in the back, had his getaway car down a little way, where he couldn't see it. (obs.) the dog gave the guy away, started barking and raising hell and the guy went bang bang and they got him about 10 days later."

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HARVILL:

"I better get my (obs.) home cause I've got to get to bed."

BECKMAN:

"They finally wound up, they shot the (obs.) out of the guy with a shotgun. His wife jumped behind the ice box and they tried to find her."

[REDACTED] "Killed the guy in front of his house, in the gangway. The dogs gave him away."

BECKMAN:

"There were 20 some odd shotguns shells laying on the ground. There must of been 3-4 guys shooting shotguns at the (obs.)." b7C

[REDACTED] "He killed the guy that was waiting in the back of the car. Yeah, it was 10 days or two weeks before they got him."

[REDACTED] talking about State Troopers in and out of Pines Tavern and thought a newspaper reporter was in.

[REDACTED] a pistol when he gets drunk. Was with [REDACTED] one night, when this [REDACTED] had two pistols on him. This little [REDACTED] was trying to get them to shoot [REDACTED] He said I don't like that [REDACTED] I said don't bother him, leave him alone. He said I'm going out and shoot that (Obs.) so we got the pistol away from him. He had another one someplace. I told [REDACTED] what the (obs.) you bringing him over with the pistols for." b7C

[REDACTED] "How's [REDACTED] doing?"

HARVILL:

"I've been straining my brain. I don't know where he would go except [REDACTED] and the 88."

BECKMAN:

"Where would he get a \$1,000." [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] "He didn't tell me where he got it."

[REDACTED] "He'll call you and talk to you about every day, won't he Storm?"

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HARVILL:

"Yeah, he's been calling me about every other day."

[REDACTED] "You ought to call him, MEL."

[REDACTED] "Oh, he'll be going to [REDACTED] He'll be out tonight. [REDACTED] why don't you call him and bull with him."

BECKMAN:

"What's the matter with him being mad at you. Why because you went and collected that money and he never give any and then you put it all in your (obs.) pocket, that's why he's mad at you."

including  
of them.

Talk about money [REDACTED] has beaten people out of, some car salesman and hasn't shared it with the rest

[REDACTED] "Yeah, he'll go to [REDACTED]" b7C

HARVILL:

"But we don't want to get him there."

[REDACTED] "He suspects something is wrong or he'd be coming around."

BECKMAN:

"He's guilty or he would try to get here, he is guilty."

[REDACTED] "I wish we had something to stick on his car, maybe something like dynamite or something. Five sticks of dynamite. [REDACTED] liable to get in and blow her up and the kids and everybody else. That's the only thing bad about that."

Talk about [REDACTED] being together and if they hit one they got to hit them both and if they are out together, they got to be out to make money.

BECKMAN:

"He's got to go on a score with somebody."

HARVILL:

"If he goes, he'll tel [REDACTED] before he leaves." b7C

[REDACTED] knows every score he ever made and every score I ever made. [REDACTED] knows everything he ever done and everything all of his friends ever done."

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BECKMAN:

"Once he gets hit, the first thing she'll call us and we'll have to run up to the house and cool her off."

[REDACTED] "Oh, I'll go up there and act like I'm mad and sick, you know."

BECKMAN:

"See, that's the way to control her from snitching on everybody."

[REDACTED] "What she knows is all hearsay anyway."

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, but it don't cause no (obs.) if it don't get in the newspapers." b7c

HARVILL:

"Oh, that will hit the papers, if they find that (obs.)"

[REDACTED] "The best way is to get someplace, after it's over, so she can call you."

HARVILL:

[REDACTED] never would be suspected, not by her."

[REDACTED] "No."

BECKMAN:

"I'll tell you who's going to get the rap, you and me."

(Short conversation, cannot make out.)

Talk about BECKMAN, [REDACTED]  
'going hunting and someone shot at a rabbit and one of the slugs hit the ground and hit [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] "If anyone should come up with money for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] it should be [REDACTED] b7c

BECKMAN:

"Where's my (obs.) pistol at."

[REDACTED] "Up there in that (obs.) hole, up there, where you put it."

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"Both of them (obs.) cars are in the back."

BECKMAN:

"They mustof made a score or something and come home."

"His house is all lite up. I never seen it like that before. He's never had a light on before."

BECKMAN:

"Listen, that guy's guilty of everything he's done. Let me tell you something, [REDACTED] Everything been said about you and you were in and you're not guilty, you'd be around defending yourself."

"Yeah, why (obs.) even [REDACTED] told me about it. He said I heard them bad stories about [REDACTED]" b7c

BECKMAN:

"He's guilty, its proven, he was guilty, what the (obs) it was proven."

"He supposed to have snitched on them guys in a jewelry store or something."

BECKMAN:

"Yeah, tried to get this guy to shake them down and they wouldn't shake, so the guy had to lock them up. "[REDACTED]"

"Now they got a burglary beef. If anybody knows, BUSTER knows it."

Talk about [REDACTED] having the tavern and say he didn't have a job and should of kept it and ha ving snitches in the poker game and he knew they were having snitches. [REDACTED] out of room.

HARVILL:

"What did [REDACTED] say when you come out here, he said (obs.) you know [REDACTED] pretty close to [REDACTED]" b7c

"I was worried more about him."

HARVILL:

"He was worried more about you."

"About him, the other night I didn't want to say anything in front of him. I don't know [REDACTED] too well."